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The Greatness Debate Continues

By Hal Hannaford, Headmaster

The ongoing greatness debate is becoming more and more acute. Recently, I have tried to clarify what I believe to be the greatest marketing challenge facing independent schools today. Simply put, we are faced with this reality:

Mediocrity looks like greatness and greatness looks like mediocrity. Therefore there is simply no motivation to strive for greatness.

To summarize:

1. Mediocre schools only accept mission-appropriate students. Great schools have many mission-appropriate students, but take pride in turning all students into mission-appropriate ones.
2. Mediocre schools devote too much time to pedagogy and curriculum. Great schools have outstanding pedagogy and curriculum, but also...
3. Great schools focus on what makes a great person.
4. Mediocre schools have centralized control, and don't deal well with chaos. Great schools create a culture of individual initiatives and relish chaos.
5. Mediocre schools have a discipline system based on punitive methods as a form of prevention. Great schools have a restorative-justice culture based on kindness, empathy, forgiveness, and love, which allows for substantial growth for all students.
6. Mediocre schools celebrate where their graduates are accepted to university. Great schools celebrate university preparedness, and the development of true passions.

Talk about a complicated business model! True greatness appears to be countercultural. This is why we need our entire community to understand and celebrate how Selwyn House strives for greatness and will not be compromised in this quest. I did write about this fact last year, but to remind you again:

A truly great school strives to become a relational school, dedicated to the glory of education, while at the same time placing the highest emphasis possible on the development of a vibrant, progressive, and exciting faculty culture.

The first part of this definition needs to be studied carefully, and in particular we need to fully understand the concept of relational schools. Time for another definition:

A relational school is one that understands the value of, and is committed to fostering deep connections with, the goal that all members of the community will feel a true sense of belonging. The only infinite currency of worth is self-worth. This creates a springboard for all professional pursuits.

Connections are so crucial. When connections are fostered properly, every other aspect of a school's program can excel to levels we were previously unaware of. I simply do not believe that there is any challenging, problematic child at



school whose issues cannot be solved through meaningful, deliberate connection. Everyone needs powerful connections, and of course, the people who are the most challenging to connect with from an attitudinal and behavioural point of view need connection as much as anyone else. The interesting concept, though, is that the very best of students need to witness connections with the marginalized so they themselves can discover the value of a sense of belonging. Watching and experiencing people grow, improve, and change through connection makes us more

capable of developing our own meaningful connections.

Susan Doherty (my wife, whom many of you know well) has just published her latest book, *The Ghost Garden – Inside the Lives of Schizophrenia's Feared and Forgotten*. It is an important book, and one everyone should read. She argues about the value of connection when dealing with the most marginalized, and articulates the success that meaningful connection has had. Her point is that everyone needs and deserves connection. Period.

Moving away from the connection/belonging concept, what does it take to become a truly relational school? I would suggest there are four important components. The first is that there must be institutional commitment. Trustees, senior management, staff, faculty, parents, and students must be totally committed to the concept on both a strategic and operational front. Secondly, there must exist a level of relational trust among all stakeholders. Thirdly, it is important that all of us need to recognize the amount of emotional labour required to fulfill this mandate. Relationships are emotional and sensitive. From time to time they get temporarily derailed, and the ongoing work to sustain them is intense, challenging and exhausting. But that is what great schools are prepared to do. As I keep reiterating, no one has suggested this is easy work. Finally, as teachers or adults, we must remind ourselves and each other that it is our responsibility to be relational managers. We must take ownership with this critical responsibility. It is up to us—not our students, who have yet to develop cognitively, neurologically, and emotionally—to understand the emotional labour required. We are, after all, teachers.

A community should be judged on its ability to look after its members. Collectively, power becomes strong and its influence authentic. Imagine if all schools were legitimate communities and operated in this relational form. Just think of the impact alumni would have as they thread this influence through their own places in the world. Schools are vibrant microcosms of life, which is an even greater argument for recognizing their impact and power within. Above all, they illustrate VERITAS.

IBSC Annual Conference in Montreal

It was a miracle of good luck and a triumph of good will. The factors that contributed to the overwhelming success of the Annual Conference of the International Boys' Schools Coalition, hosted by Selwyn House School June 24-29 in Montreal, are too many to count.

The weather was perfect, the logistics ran smoothly, the speakers and entertainers were stellar, and the evening celebrations will not soon be forgotten. The chemistry among the 650 visiting delegates—from 170 schools in 10 countries—and their Selwyn House hosts generated a camaraderie that lasted all week long and can still be felt today.

"You created a legendary conference," said Amy Ahart, Chief Operating Officer of IBSC, a 24-year-old world organization that "strives to understand boys' learning and development through research, and seeks to improve practice, opportunity and outcomes for boys around the world." The IBSC holds a conference each year at a member school. The 2018 conference was in Gold Coast, Australia; the 2020 one will be in Barcelona, Spain.

The Montreal conference was organized around the theme of "Boys and the Arts, Great Minds, Big Hearts." But



Delegates from Canada

the topics of the workshops enlarged on the theme to include many discussions of what mental wellness is, and how to instill it in boys.

"This conference was all heart, and will be one for the record books!" Ms. Ahart continued. "You were true to Selwyn House School, and it made the conference a smashing success. The focus on boys and the arts was not only a hit with delegates, but... was the inspiration and driver for every

element of the conference. Your staff and boys made SHS proud. They were wonderful ambassadors for the school, took wonderful care of the delegates, and clearly were proud to show off your school and to share in this important event."

The job of planning and running the conference fell to an ad hoc committee of Selwyn House staff members and volunteers, few of whom had any experience running an event of this size and scope. The success of the conference was a testament to the power of teamwork.

This was the first IBSC conference held at a small, inner-city school. All the workshops and many of the social events were held at the school. The plenary sessions and major presentations were held in the main conference room of the Fairmont Queen Elizabeth Hotel on René-Levesque Blvd. downtown; the final party was held at the Windsor Ballroom on Peel St. Shuttling delegates from one venue to another was a major challenge, but everything worked out beautifully.

From the beginning, Selwyn House Dean of Students Minna Shulman was the obvious choice to chair the SHS organizing committee; she has sat on the board of directors of IBSC since



Flash Mob at the Windsor Ballroom

proves to be a 'smashing success'



Delegates from the United States

2011 and has attended seven of the organization's worldwide conferences.

But, halfway through the organizing process, on Jan. 17, she was diagnosed with colon cancer that had spread to her liver. She was scheduled for major surgery only weeks before the conference. Some of the Selwyn House organizers must have wondered if the whole project would have to be abandoned.

But Minna was undeterred. She re-scheduled her surgery to accommodate the conference and continued to chair the committee from home between sessions of strong chemotherapy. Selwyn

House Head of Elementary School Kathy Funamoto stepped in to act as Minna's in-school proxy while maintaining her own workload as ES Head. Everyone put their shoulder to the wheel and, somehow, it worked.

"The conference actually helped me deal with my cancer," Minna says now. And the crisis of leadership "made people come together."

Fitting, then, that Minna was chosen to receive the annual Hawley-Jarvis Award at the conference for her contribution to the IBSC. (See video online.)

Once the conference got rolling, the

week of dizzying activity played out flawlessly. The workshops at the school dug deep into the important issues in boys' schools today. The plenary speakers at the Queen E. tackled the personal issues of mental wellness head-on, not shying away from their own tales of challenges met.

The contribution of recent graduates of Selwyn House to the program at the Queen E. left visiting delegates gobsmacked. The artistic and emotional maturity shown by the Old Boys was the strongest message delivered all week. Delegates said that watching these young men demonstrate such composure, power of communication and mastery of their various arts, drove home the message of the conference.

On Wednesday night, the entire

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Selwyn House Old Boys at IBSC

Keynote speaker:
Jonathan Emile 2003

Presenters:
Izzy Tamale 2017
Aria Khiabani 2018
Jesse Caruso 2017
Noah Gelber 2017
Dylan Kalaydjian 2017
Luke Kalaydjian 2018
Jonathan Milner 2019
GianCarlo Elisii 2015
Reid Hannaford 2012
Evren Boisjoli 2008

Musicians:
David Charette 2017
Samuel Charette 2019
Old Boys' Blues Band

Studio Session presenters:
Reid Hannaford 2012
Evren Boisjoli 2008

Videos of all presentations at:
www.selwyn.ca/IBSC



Drumming workshop

IBSC Annual Conference



Nuit blanche at the Windsor Ballroom

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conference community experienced “The Art of a Party,” planned and executed by Headmaster Hal Hannaford. With 11 musical acts playing in various locations throughout the school, delegates were served a smorgasbord of artistic celebration, culminating in a full-audience sing-along of “Mustang Sally.”

Friday night’s wrap-up party at the Windsor Ballroom was a “Nuit blanche” affair, with participatory music and

dancing that included a flash mob of IBSC delegates.

Saturday morning’s session wrapped up with an engrossing presentation from Headmaster Hal Hannaford and his wife, Susan Doherty; and the delegates dispersed until next year, when the annual IBSC conference will be hosted by Viaro Global School in Barcelona.

Videos and photos at:
www.selwyn.ca/IBSC



Delegates from Spain

Report Card from SHS Teachers:

“There was this amazing sense of community, working towards a common goal that we believed in, and then the buzz and energy of the actual event that allowed everyone to celebrate our boys and our school!”
— K. Funamoto, Head of Elementary School

“Teaching boys really is an art!”
— M-E. Thériault, Senior French and History teacher

“It took this event to take me out of my bubble and see all of the moving parts that make Selwyn cool.” — L. Martin, Drama teacher

“It was wonderful to feel connected to so many people and schools from around the world.” — B. Saunders, Learning Strategist

“It was wonderful to meet teachers from so many different countries and see that we all want the same thing: the happiness of our students.” — C. Martel, Elementary School French teacher

“Our students are capable of incredible things and I feel so lucky to be a part of that journey with them.” — S. Sayegh, Senior Math teacher

“I saw our community come together, from our students to Old Boys, parents, faculty and staff, all were proud of our school and proud of each other.” — C. Deegan, Experiential Education teacher

“Selwyn House’s entire welcoming and technical infrastructure were impeccable.”
— S. Decelles, Middle School French and Geography teacher

“What a coup for Selwyn House!” — C. Manning, Head of Middle School

Minna Shulman picked for Speirs

Even if she hadn't just completed the coup of a lifetime—leading Selwyn House through one of its greatest moments while battling stage 4 cancer—Minna Shulman would be the most obvious person to receive the school's greatest honour.

Therefore, not a single Selwyn House constituent was surprised to learn that the school's retired Dean of Students will be receiving the Speirs Medal on Founder's Day, Nov. 28, 2019.

Long before her recent crowning achievement with the International Boys' Schools Coalition Annual Conference on Boys and the Arts—with an emphasis on mental wellness—Minna had already spent a lifetime doing the kind of work that has made her indispensable at Selwyn House.

She was born in Vandalia, a small town in southern Illinois that was the original state capital. She was the fourth of five children, the only girl in her family and the only Jewish girl in her school.

Her dad, born in Jackson, Tennessee, was youngest of eight siblings in a family whose father had fled Lithuania to escape religious persecution. The brothers got into the oil exploration business in East Texas and then across the US Midwest. Her father rose up from manual work in the oil fields to become head of the family company: Shulman Brothers Oil.

Minna's mom, originally from Houston, was the proverbial matriarch, keeping everything and everyone together. She was the town's greatest volunteer, and served on the Vandalia School Board for 20 years, the only woman on the board and always the secretary.

Minna received her BEd in elementary education from the University of Colorado while also volunteering with children in a Denver housing project and at a women's health centre on campus. It was in Boulder that she decided she was more suited to the social work she saw going on around her than she was to the demands of teaching.



Minna (left) with Amy Ahart of IBSC

"I hated disciplining students," she recalls.

In 1975 she earned Master's Degrees in Social Work and Education/Counselling from Washington University in St. Louis, while also running a high-school counselling program and working at a women's centre. For two years she was a school counsellor in nearby Jennings, Mo.

On a blind date she met her future husband, Steve Rotman, a transplanted Montrealer. They were married in 1976 at age 25.

From 1977 to 1979, she and Steve (now an architect) traveled in Europe and Africa, where Minna taught assertiveness training at an American University in France, also working as a nanny and a waitress in France and London.

Back in the U.S. in 1979, she took a job as the first woman at the cheese counter at Balducci's in Manhattan and began a 10-year period in New York. "I felt I belonged in New York," she says.

During the 1980s she worked as a Director of Special Programs for the Victims' Services Agency of NYC, and then the Director of the National Law Enforcement Training Program. She became a mother in 1981 to Daniel and Maia in 1985, while continuing to work full time and chairing the Parent Association at PS 234. The family

moved to Montreal for a one-year trial in 1989 in search of a more family-friendly lifestyle, which they found immediately.

Part of Minna's negotiation with Steve to move to the city of his birth was to have another child. She negotiated well, and in 1991 gave birth to twin daughters. Although she did not return to the paid workforce for a few years, she was a founding member and the second Chair of the Westmount Teen Centre Board, working with such Selwyn House School notables as Rob Wearing and Tom Pitfield. Minna also headed the Roslyn Home and School Association.

From 1996 to 1999 she worked part time with Jewish Family Services on a preschool intervention program for high-risk families.

In 1999, she had the good fortune to meet Will Mitchell and Carol Manning and fell into the job of working part time at Selwyn House School as a counsellor, where she launched programs for students, including the SHS Big Brother Program, and programs for parents and faculty. In 2007 she took over the job of running the annual Grad Weekend activities; in October 2008 she planned and ran the school's Centennial Conference: Educating Boys for Global Responsibility.

The next year, Minna was named Dean of Students by her new headmaster, Hal Hannaford, and began to work full time with school administration.

With Hal's push, Minna became a trustee on the IBSC Board of Directors in 2011, took on many interesting projects and became the head of the Coalition's Research Committee. In May 2017, Minna ran Selwyn House School's first IBSC Regional Conference, Enhancing Boys' Lives Through The Arts. In June of this year, this final phase of her career culminated with the incredibly successful 2019 IBSC Annual Conference in Montreal.

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Boisjoli takes film to the Oscars

It's a Veritas rule: when a Selwyn House School Old Boy gets nominated for an Academy Award for one of his first films, he has to take his mom as his date to the Oscars. "She loved it," says Evren Boisjoli 2008. "She got to meet Lady Gaga."

Everyone at Selwyn House had been watching the 2018 Oscars race closely since January, when it was announced that a film produced by Evren had been nominated for an Academy Award in the category of Best Live-Action Short.

Directed by Jeremy Comte and produced by Evren and Maria Gracia Turgeon, and shot near Thetford Mines, Quebec, the film tells the story of two boys engaged in a playful battle of wills that gets out of hand.

Fauve is not the first film made by Evren, and this is not the first time he's won a major award for his work. *Fauve* won the special jury award for live action short films at the Sundance Film Festival last year. But this was the top of the heap. The Academy Awards. The Oscars. How on earth did this happen?

The film began as the brainchild of Comte, a filmmaker from Sherbrooke, who based the story on his own childhood. "Jeremy did a lot of research into boys of that age and how they are becoming much stronger and much more able, but the part of their brain that develops last is this ability to understand consequence," explains Evren.

The location is almost one of the characters in the piece. "We drove eight hours a day on Google Earth, scouting locations, jumping from one to the next," Evren recalls. They settled on a decommissioned surface mine that was still being used as a quarry.

"The mine is a man-made mess, but ultimately it's Nature that claims the boys, and it's their own nature, as well, that led them to that point."

The title refers to a wildcat or a savage animal, but it also refers to the Fauvist art movement, as well as to the colour of a fox that appears in the film. A lot of the



meaning—including the title—works better in French, Evren says. "The visual language is very, very specific."

Jeremy and Evren went to the mine site a few days before shooting and lived in a little camper van, working out a detailed plan for the shots.

In casting the main characters, they first auditioned boys from Montreal, but found it didn't feel right, so they went with local boys. "They're a little

them to feel free.

"We had a fantastic director of photography named Olivier Gossot. I think his last three films were at Cannes. His career is still exploding. There's a lot of work put into that. It's certainly not by accident. Jeremy was really adamant about going to get the best colour, so he ended up flying to Chicago to work with one of the top colourists with a company called The Mill.

"This film somehow cut through," says Evren.

**"I don't fully understand the magic,
but it cut through everything."**

more physical, a bit rougher. Being from Sherbrooke, Jeremy was looking to recreate the vibe he remembers from his boyhood.

"Jeremy wrote the story but he worked with the actors to build the dialogue in order to make it more realistic. All the swearing, the *en région* language, that's just the way these kids talk. We wanted

"*Fauve* won an award at one of every two festivals where it was entered," Evren says. Over 125 festivals. Over 65 awards, seven of them Oscar-qualifying. An unheard-of number.

"We made the decision [to take a run at the Oscars] because we had this epic publicist at Sundance, Kathleen McInnes, who has followed us through

Boisjoli

our entire journey. She believed in the project since day one. She asked us: 'You guys are doing very well with this film, and you just won the Special Jury Prize, so now you have to decide: Do you want an Oscar, do you just want to make your next feature, or do you want to make money with this film, because those are three separate paths that might not lead you to the same festivals.'

"We all three simultaneously said, 'We're going to the Oscars.' So we knocked ourselves out getting every grand prize that earned us points toward an Oscar."

Out of thousands of short films made each year, 100 to 140 apply for an Oscar, Evren estimates. That number is whittled down to a shortlist of 10, then down to five actual nominees.

"This film somehow cut through," says Evren. "I don't fully understand the magic, but it cut through everything."

Cut to Evren, his colleagues and his mother on the iconic Red Carpet, amazed by the "proximity" of it all. Brushes with stars take on a bizarre quality when you realize that, for the first time, you are encountering these famous faces in an unscripted moment.

"When you see them in a movie they're not reacting to you," Evren says.

In the surprisingly small auditorium, the drama doesn't stop during commercial breaks, with stars sometimes reacting negatively to what is going on.

For our Selwyn House party, the suspense got unbearable as the announcement of the winners was repeatedly postponed.

Then the word: the Oscar goes to another nominee, and suddenly the storm has passed.

"Shaking with a combination of adrenaline and relief, we make our way out of the auditorium and order drinks," Evren recalls. "I turn around and there's Alfonso Cuarón [director of *Roma*], who turns out to be very gracious, and then [*BlackKkKlansman* director] Spike Lee congratulates us on our nomination."

Evren was taken aback to get such an acknowledgement from his much-more-famous peers. "There's a mutual respect among the artists there," he says.

Just another day in Tinseltown. Before the Oscars, Evren had been doing other red carpets and press junkets on a daily basis, including appearances at the Canadian consulate and at an event for women in film.

"These films take on a life of their own," Evren says. "*Fauve* is still playing—and winning awards—at festivals today."

Back in Montreal, Evren graduated from the Canadian Film Centre just before the Oscars, and is developing his post-production film company, where they've tripled their studio space to 6000 square feet.

And his 2016 film *We're Still Together* is finally getting its U.S. release. One of his co-producers on that project was Selwyn House Old Boy Marley Sniatowsky 2007

Looking back on his big night in Hollywood, Evren says he had no real understanding of what it means to find yourself in the running for an Oscar. The world of awards can take over one's entire career.

"It becomes a part of your identity.

"I don't know if I was prepared to win," Evren admits. He recalls a fellow nominee saying, "I hope I don't win. I need to work this year."

"I do think [the Oscar nomination] will help me, but it's hard to say what the impact will be. Now that the suspense is over, he says, "I can move on in my life."

Among other things, moving on includes Evren's recent role at the Annual Conference of the International Boys' Schools Coalition, where he and Reid Hannaford 2012 gave a workshop on confidence in filmmaking, and his introduction of Quebec film director Jean-Marc Vallée as a plenary speaker.

IBSC was an "important milestone" in his career, he says, because it allowed him to give back to the school where his film career was born.

Because of Selwyn House and media teacher Bill Bedard, "I was able to consider [a career in film] as early as Grade 9."

"Bill's continued support through high school and after has propelled me into the film world with confidence," Evren says. "The opportunities and skills that Bill and Selwyn House taught me had a direct impact on much of the success I achieved at such a young age."

Obviously, Evren says, attending Selwyn House "ultimately benefitted me a great deal."

Old Boys in Hollywood

We're Still Together, a feature film Evren produced, received a rave response at the Karlovy Vary International Film Festival in Prague in 2016. An *IndieWire* reviewer described the film as "a smart and sensitive micro-budget drama" that "muscles its way above the masses on the strength of its unpredictability." One of his producers on *We're Still Together* was Old Boy Marley Sniatowsky 2007.

In 2015, Evren and Nicholas Cabana 2006 teamed up to produce a music video for the DJ/producer Kaytranada entitled "Lite Spots." The video garnered numerous awards and nominations, including a Much Music Video Award nomination for Best Music Video and a nomination for Best Dance Music Video at the U.K. Music Video Awards. It was also named No. 2 Music Video of the Year in *Rolling Stone* magazine, and was nominated for the Young Director Awards at the Cannes Lions Festival. The clip was nominated for Best Music Video at the 2017 Junos. The album on which the song appears won the Juno for Electronic Album of the Year.

Shannon goes to the heart of teaching

Over 30 personal friends and members of Pat Shannon's extended family turned out on Founder's Day Nov. 22 to support the retiring Selwyn House Senior English teacher and university guidance counsellor as he received the school's highest honour.

On the heels of 34 years of teaching at SHS, Pat was chosen to receive the Speirs Medal, named for the iconic headmaster who led the school from 1945 till 1971.

Though Pat joked that the crowd of nearly 200 were there to hear former SHS teacher Geoff Dowd introduce him, the warm reception Pat received told a different story. For his part, Geoff obviously took great pleasure in skewering his erstwhile colleague. "Pat always made teaching look easy," Geoff quipped, revealing Pat's "idiosyncratic" marking system that may have once included a grade marking of 29 divided by pi.

On a more serious note, Geoff had to admit that his silver-tongued friend possessed "a touch of the poet."

"There has been someone named Shannon here for more than 100 years," Pat recalled as he acknowledged his many cousins who have attended Selwyn House, all of them descendants of the family patriarch, John Shannon, who was born in Northern Ireland in 1793.

Pat also paid tribute to his fellow Speirs Medallists, including Rob Wearing, who died on Founder's Day one year ago. "Like all of you, I would have cherished seeing him one more time," he said, quoting Headmaster Emeritus Will Mitchell as saying that, "There might be other guys like Rob in the world, but we had the original."

He gave a heartfelt mention of his colleagues in the Senior English Department—"my mates for 30 years"—as well as the teachers who taught his three sons: James 2008, Liam 2012 and Conor 2016.

Cutting to the heart of the matter, he confessed that teaching, "isn't really work." Rather, it is an opportunity



Pat Shannon, right, receives the Speirs Medal from former colleague Geoff Dowd.



The Pat Shannon family, from left: Liam 2012, Paula, Pat, James 2008 and Conor 2016

Founder's Day

to engage boys in conversations they were often too shy to undertake with their own fathers. "Your sons thought of you, but they could speak to me," he said to the fathers of Selwyn House.

Pat obviously also loved his days coaching hockey, even when his teams lived up to their reputation as "remedial athletes."

"We were always the underdogs," he recalled. "It would have made a better crest."

He also had touching recollections of watching shy students respond to literary works as complex as colleague Byron Harker's production of *Hamlet*, when "Boys who had never spoken in class would step forward and act their hearts out."

Pat summed it up by saying what Selwyn House means to his own family. "Selwyn was our village," he said, adding that the school made his family feel that they belonged.

"Our being here has been, literally, priceless."

His expression of gratitude for receiving such high tribute was simple and sincere. "I'm truly honoured," he said.



Parent Joyce McCauley (left) and Tom Pitfield '93 (right) present the Nancy Pitfield Award for Volunteerism to Parent Tiphannie Willems.



Speirs Medal winners, from left: Michael Denham, Will Mitchell, Lorna Denham, Craig Shannon '71, Pat Shannon, William Daly '52, Ellen Pinchuk and Tim Carsley '52.

Lis Clemens reflects on a life of books



Lis Clemens

Lis Clemens retired on Dec. 31, 2018, after 15 years as Head Librarian at Selwyn House School. She recently recounted her life story—beginning with her childhood in Melbourne, Australia—as well as her views on the future of literacy.

Books and reading have always been an important part of my life. I grew up in a house full of books. My father, a teacher and then a headmaster, fancied himself a champion do-it-yourself-er, but his only really successful projects were bookshelves, and we had those in every room in the house, overflowing with books.

I was an indifferent student at school, bored unless I could be reading. My parents were always supportive, though I think even they felt that my later acquisition of four university degrees (including a PhD) was perhaps overdoing it!

It was decided that I should train as a teacher (“Lis is so good with children...”), and the added chance of going on to train as a teacher librarian seemed a great idea to me. A job where you could read all the time, what could be better? The 1960s were the heyday of

school librarians in the US and Australia. A modern library was the new status symbol for every school, and a new and exciting place to be.

Like many Australians of my generation, travelling to England for a “working holiday” was what one did. I travelled with a friend who was going to study at Cambridge (by way of the Trans-Siberian Railway, an adventure in itself), and got a job teaching in Ely, a cathedral town outside Cambridge, a wonderful place to live, surrounded by history. Every holiday was spent travelling, first in England, then in Europe. My friends were either teachers or students, and books and reading remained central to my life. Cambridge was full of second-hand bookshops. Buying books was a favourite weekend activity.

My circle of friends included Robert Seely, a young Canadian from Montreal who was doing his PhD in mathematics and was also a reader and a book collector. Like my father, he couldn’t walk past a bookstore. On at least one memorable occasion he spent our weekly grocery budget on books.

My future husband and I shared a common literary heritage, and had both had a private-school education, mine at Presbyterian Ladies’ College in Melbourne, and his at Selwyn House (Class of ’68). We amused each other by comparing stories of eccentric teachers,

McGill, as an “older” student. First, an undergraduate degree, then a Master’s in education and development, with a thesis finished during the naps of my first child. Three years later, a second child and a career as a stay-at-home mom. For the next eight years, I worked as a volunteer in my children’s school library, sat on parents’ committees, painted backdrops for concerts, went on every school outing, and generally spent almost as much time in their schools as my son and daughter did.

To consolidate my experience, I decided on a Master’s in librarianship. I was a little daunted on my first day, when a professor said to us all, “Well, I hope you’re not here because you like books and reading!”

In the final year of this degree, we had the opportunity to do a stage in a library. One of my fellow students had a son at Selwyn House and was loud in her praise of the librarian and the library. After 12 years as a student in a private girls’ school, I wasn’t drawn to working in one. But, a boys’ school seemed an interesting possibility, and with three brothers, the idea of boys didn’t bother me. Besides, I already knew a little about Selwyn House from my husband.

Virginia Ferguson turned out to be a wonderful librarian, and I enjoyed working with her. I was surprised at how much I enjoyed being in a school again.

**To those of you who don't read,
you don't know what you are missing.**

arcane school rules, and strange uniform restrictions. At that time I had no idea that his school would have any further part in my life.

On finishing his PhD, Robert was offered a post-doc at McGill, so we got married and travelled to Montreal.

Although my Australian teaching qualifications were good enough for England, Quebec was more demanding. You had to be a Canadian citizen, and also have a degree. So, off I went to

I replaced Virginia frequently when she was on leave, and got to know the staff and the school. I was also doing a PhD and teaching graduate courses at McGill.

But, although I enjoyed doing research, I had long ago decided that I wanted to go back to my real interests: books, reading, and children. My PhD subject, Images of Masculinity in Young Adult Literature, was also a good fit for working in a boys’ school. So, in April of 2003, when Virginia retired, I applied

Lis Clemens

for her job.

The next 18 years were an interesting ride. Once a key part of any school, libraries had become sidelined—and in some cases completely eliminated—and even here we have had our moments. The magic little screen and the fascination with technology have seriously eroded any belief in the importance of books and reading. I am not a technophobe; I read on a Kobo, I read on my iPad, but I prefer the feel of a real book. And I deeply believe that reading a book remains a fundamentally important human experience. We are in danger of losing something invaluable. Actual physiological changes in the brain are taking place, and the abilities to develop critical thought and to analyze ideas are becoming threatened.

In many ways, I am glad to be retiring. I will miss reading stories to the young, and the smiles on their faces when they find the books they want to read and borrow. But I will not miss the decline in reading among the older students, and even teachers, the feeble excuses about not having enough time, the need to be “connected,” the search for facts rather than

knowledge, the growing inability to listen and think, and to enjoy solitude.

I would like to thank all my colleagues who, over the years, supported the library and wanted to talk about books and reading, life, the universe and everything, as well as to all the students who told me with joy in their voices about the books they were reading. You made it all worthwhile, and I will miss you all.

I am certain that books and reading will remain central to my life, and this Christmas I will enjoy sharing books with my family, reading to my small grandson and enjoying his pleasure. To those of you who don't read, you don't know what you are missing. There is a book out there for you somewhere. Keep looking!

“I get sad every time I hear a person say ‘I don't read,’” said author Alafair Burke. “It's like saying, ‘I don't learn,’ or, ‘I don't laugh,’ or, ‘I don't live.’”

Good luck to all of you!

Volunteer retires from life in the Library

In Tassy McEntyre's home in Westmount, there is a Selwyn House School Old Boys' tie, framed and hung on the wall. It was presented to her three decades ago by then-Headmaster Will Mitchell when she completed her first year of volunteering in the Wanstall Library.

After 31 years at Selwyn House—most of that as a volunteer—Tassy is ready to retire from being a fixture in the Library and turn over the job to a younger person.

The mother of three SHS Old Boys (Patrick '92, Peter '94 and Duncan '99), Tassy began her volunteering career serving lunch to Grade 1 students in the old Coristine Hall, located in what is now the Middle School Science Lab. “I got a free lunch once a week,” she recalls. “I thought that was pretty good.”

While vacationing in Maine, she got a call from Headmaster Mitchell, asking her to accept a paid position as a library assistant to Head Librarian the late Virginia Ferguson, temporarily replacing

Lorayne Wynn, who was ill.

She had no training in library science, but was fascinated by what makes a library work, she says. She accepted Will's offer, splitting the full-time position with fellow volunteer Susan Lord.

She did this for over a year, and when Lorayne returned, Tassy carried on in the library as a volunteer.

“It was fun,” she says. “Virginia was such a nice person, and could not have been a better teacher. She made it possible for me to continue to work here.”

She also admires what she describes as the “genius” of present-day Head Librarian Carol-Ann Hoyte and retired Head Librarian Lis Clemens. The librarians, she points out, have made a lasting impression on many of the students who have gone through Selwyn House.

“It's astonishing how many boys have enjoyed sitting here and being read to over the years,” she said.

Since leaving this position at the



Tassy McEntyre with her husband, David

end of 2018, she has been a volunteer at the Montreal Children's Hospital in a position that is not compromised by her failing eyesight.

She comes from a long line of volunteers, she said, so it's all in the family.

She will be missed as a long-serving and dedicated member of the Selwyn House family.

36 at Young Old Boys' Barbecue



From left: Connor Munro, Jamie Denham, Hal Hannaford, Liam Nicol and Cameron Anderson.

Thirty-six Old Boys from the classes of 2013-2017, along with six staff members, gathered at the school on August 22, 2018 for the annual Young Old Boys' Barbecue. Attending were: Cameron Anderson 2014, William Anderson 2016, Joshua Archibald-Cimon 2015, Matthew Behr 2016, Yassine Belkhou 2016, Alex Cannon 2017, Jesse Caruso 2017, Olivier Couture 2015, Jameson Denham 2014, Matthew Denham 2016, Michael-Anthony Di Salvatore 2016, Thomas Doheny 2017, Victor Elliott 2016, Jordan Fefer 2013, Emmanuel Ferreira 2016, Michael Frances 2015, Raphael Gad 2016, Noah Gelber 2017, Mark Hladky 2016, Todd Houghton 2017, Dylan Kalaydjian 2017, Ryan Khanna 2016, Patrick Koper 2016, William Lasry 2016, Matthew Lindsay 2016, Liam Marengère 2016, William McLernon 2017, Ian Moore 2013, Connor Munro 2014, Liam Nicol 2014, Gerassimos Nikolopoulos 2016, Ethan Ravanshid 2015, Peter Reford 2017, William Rossy 2016, Gregory Segal 2016, Charles-Alexandre Vennat 2005, Mary Ann Cloherty (Staff), Hal Hannaford (Staff), Irina Kondratieva (Staff), Carol Manning (Staff), James McMillan (Staff) and Minna Shulman (Staff).

Donald Vinh '92, Selwyn's own 'House'

Sometimes called "the medical detective," or "Dr. House," Dr. Donald Vinh '92 made the news recently for diagnosing a 30-year-old patient with a rare disease that had caused chronic illnesses all the man's life. An infectious disease specialist, Donald, along with his staff at the McGill University Health Complex Research Institute made their second such diagnosis late last year by proving that these patients' conditions had a genetic cause.

Don labelled the disease CID, or combined immunodeficiency. It is a less-severe version of that of the so-called "bubble boy" born in the U.S. in 1971. Some of the symptoms are similar to those suffered by patients with Down's syndrome.

Don and his team are already on the path to a cure, developing a molecule

that could, we hope, correct the genetic error that compromises a victim's immune system.

Born in Montreal, Don attended elementary school in TMR before starting at Selwyn House in Grade 7. He showed no early signs of being drawn toward a career in medicine. "Math, chemistry and biology were definitely among my favourite classes," he recalls, but he also enjoyed his English classes. "Pat Shannon was one of my more inspirational teachers."

Don also gives kudos to his wrestling coach, Rob Moore, for inspiring him to do his best when he was captain of the wrestling team. "He taught me a lot about perseverance and mental fortitude," Don says.

After Selwyn House, Don went to Marianopolis and then to McGill for Med School, starting with an undergraduate



BA in Honours Immunology. He spent two years in research in Winnipeg and worked for the National Institutes of Health in Maryland for three and one-half years before returning to McGill in 2010, working on recurrent infections that don't respond to therapy.

Nikolas di Stephano goes to Supreme Court

Selwyn House Old Boy Nikolas De Stefano 2014 has been selected from among McGill Law students and recent graduates to serve as a law clerk to Justice Rosalie Abella of the Supreme Court of Canada, it was announced April 10.

"Law clerks research points of law, prepare memoranda to help judges prepare for hearings and writing decisions, and generally assist with the work of the Court," explains the McGill Faculty of Law in its communiqué. "Law students, LLM candidates and recent graduates from across Canada apply for these prestigious positions. Over the last 10 years, one in five Supreme Court clerks has been a student or recent graduate of the [McGill] Faculty. We're proud to learn that again this year McGill-trained jurists have been chosen to clerk at our country's highest court," says

McGill Law Dean Robert Leckey.

"The consistently strong McGill Law representation at the Supreme Court of Canada is a testament to our integrated, bilingual program and to how rigorously it prepares future jurists to navigate complex legal issues with no single right answer. We wish these students great success in an exciting chapter of their professional lives." Justice Abella was appointed

in 2004 to the Supreme Court of Canada, becoming the first Jewish woman to sit on the Canadian Supreme Court bench.



Message from the president of the OBA

To the Class of 2019: Congratulations! You are now Selwyn House School graduates!

Whether you arrived in September or are graduating as a Lifer, it is my honour to welcome you all to the Selwyn House Old Boys' Association.

Counting over 2,700 members in 42 countries, the OBA provides platforms to connect Old Boys around the globe. Welcome to the club. Membership is free, all that you need to do is participate in some of the 90+ activities hosted by the OBA each year, ranging from the Old Boys Jazz Band, weekly pickup basketball games, or more formal reunions such as those held in Montreal, Toronto, Calgary, Vancouver, New York, Boston, London and Paris. For the sporting types, be sure to keep in mind the Annual Old Boys & Friends Golf Tournament, the Golf Fall Classic, the Colin No Basketball Tournament, and the Andy Lumsden Tennis Tournament. In short, there is no lack of opportunities to get together with new and familiar Old Boys, wherever you may be.

Vous graduez de Selwyn House armé d'une excellente éducation, de votre bilinguisme (et parfois trilinguisme!), de votre énergie et de votre enthousiasme. Ce sont de précieux atouts, certes, mais sachez aussi que vous faites maintenant parti d'un réseau d'anciens qui sont à votre entière disposition. Notre Association est une famille, et les membres de cette famille ne vous laisseront jamais tomber. Que vous recherchiez des conseils sur votre parcours universitaire ou votre carrière, ou que vous cherchiez simplement un ami dans une nouvelle ville inconnue, n'hésitez pas à nous faire signe.

During his remarks at your graduation, Mr. Hannaford (you can call him Hal now, by the way) told you never to

change. He challenged you to be yourselves, and I hope that you will heed his advice. You have all accomplished a great deal to get to this point and have made your school and family proud. I hope that you will take some time to reflect, and be proud of yourselves, too. Allow your time spent at Selwyn House to be the platform from which

you jump to even greater heights, no matter the obstacles you face along your journey. The lifelong friends that you have made at the school will continue to be by your side for that is VERITAS; you can now count the 2,700 OBA Gryphons among those lifelong friends.

So, as you go off onto the next phase of your life, I leave you with the following words in the hopes that they may inspire you upon your journey:

"A man can be as great as he wants to be. If you believe in yourself and have the courage, the determination, the dedication, the competitive drive, and if you are willing to sacrifice the little things in life and pay the price for the things that are worthwhile, it can be done." – Vince Lombardi

Congratulations on your tremendous achievements, and good luck in your future endeavours!

**Charles-Alexandre Vennat 2005, President,
Selwyn House Old Boys' Association**



Two SHA board members retire



At the Nov. 12 Annual General Meeting of the Selwyn House Association, it was announced that SHA Board Members Charles Bierbrier '93 (left) and Parent Of Old Boys Christine Cachia (right) were retiring from the Board, to be replaced with SHS Parents Courtney Beckerleg and François Hudon. At centre in the photo is SHA Board Chair Jonathan Goldbloom '72.

Minna Shulman picked for Speirs

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Over the years, Selwyn House, like many schools, has adapted to the changing needs of today's students. There is now a much greater awareness of learning differences and special needs.

"We were able to work with the faculty to offer extra time and smaller exam spaces for boys who were slow readers or had disabling anxiety or ADHD," she recalls. "This was a precursor to our hiring our wonderful learning strategists and starting the Student Success Centre. It also opened the floodgates on parents sharing their understanding and assessment of their sons' learning needs. This openness was very helpful to the students and the faculty. Today, 20 per cent of students need special services."

Family is of utmost importance to Minna, her own and all



Minna with Evren Boisjoli 2008 (left) and Reid Hannaford 2012

families, and she advocates a "back-to-basics" approach to counter current trends in society. "There used to be a lot more parental involvement, along with organized religion and other community support groups," she says. "The community looked out for you." Today's families often don't even eat dinner together, she laments.

But she still loves our Selwyn House families.

She would prefer that we all learn to slow life down

and pay more attention to what really matters

And what matters most? "I feel my biggest responsibility is to listen and not judge," she says.

At one point she made a pledge to herself: "From now on," she said, "I'm going to try to do everything with love."

Elisii defends beatbox title, wows conference delegates

GianCarlo Elisii 2015 was named Canadian Beatbox Champion for the second year running at the ninth annual national competition, held in Toronto on Nov. 24.

"I am honoured to have been able to retain my title and become a two-time Canadian Beatbox Champion as well as the first-ever Canadian Beatbox Tag-Team Champs with Simon Van Weereld," GianCarlo said afterward.

"I was hesitant to defend [my title], but definitely glad I did."

"I've had a heck of a year when it comes to beatboxing," he added. "I've had the chance to participate in—and win—my first overseas battle, place in the top 16 in the world, win a solo and tag-team wildcard for the Grand Beatbox Battle, and finally [the championship] this past weekend. I'm really comfortable now calling this the last time I will participate in the Canadian Beatbox Championships, and am confident in the new generation of Canadian beatboxers holding it down for next year's 10th anniversary."

GianCarlo recently gave a rousing performance at the 2019 Annual Conference of the International Boys' Schools Coalition in Montreal, where he amazed delegates with his arsenal of vocal rhythms.

To watch a video of this performance online, go to www.selwyn.ca/IBSC



GianCarlo Elisii 2015



Sean Watson 2018

Five from SHS win at SUNS

Five Selwyn House current and former students won awards at the Secondary Schools' United Nations Symposium, Canada's largest high-school-level Model United Nations conference, hosted at the Hotel Centre Sheraton in Montreal, November 22-25.

Three delegates won awards in different categories: Arieh Rosenthal, Grade 10, won the Lester B. Pearson Award for Peacemaking; Sean Watson, class of 2018, the Nellie McClung Award for Advocacy; and Aria Khiabani, class of 2018, the Pierre Elliott Trudeau Award for Diplomatic Finesse. Each of these winners received a gavel with his award.

Philippe Guertin, Grade 10, won the SSUNS Book Award. Ian Mahutte, Grade 11, received Honourable Mention.

Three new awards presented

Three new awards were presented at the 2018 Grade 8-9-10 Awards Ceremony, which was held at Selwyn House on September 21.

This ceremony is held each September to recognize outstanding achievement of the previous academic year. These awards are presented to students in Grades 9, 10 and 11, to honour their work for their Grade 8, 9, and 10 year.

An award previously known simply as the Grade 10 Award has been renamed in honour of the late Rob Wearing, retired Selwyn House teacher, coach, Head of Senior School and Interim Co-Headmaster. Mr. Wearing died on November 23, 2017. The Rob Wearing Memorial Award is now presented to "the Grade 10 student who displays outstanding personal character and intellectual promise."

Rob Wearing's family (wife, Esther, daughter, Alison and son, Ben '94) were on hand to present this year's award to Jonathan Milner (Gr. 11).

The Talat Chughtai '85 Award was presented to Hunter Hoy (Gr. 10) for displaying "exceptional effort, achievement and passion for the Health Sciences."

This prize was donated by Talat Chughtai, who graduated in 1985, studied at McGill University and practiced at the Royal Victoria Hospital,



From left: Esther Wearing, Alison Wearing, Jonathan Milner 2019 and Ben Wearing '94

and is now working as a thoracic surgeon in Qatar. The award recognizes achievements in the health sciences.

The Michael Alexandor '52 Wordsmith Award was presented to Jonah Rosen for Gr. 9 and Bernard Lui for Gr. 10. These students have demonstrated "an extraordinary commitment to the English language through their contribution to debating, public speaking, drama, the student newspaper or the *Selwyn Review*."

Roger Nincheri returns to SHS



Retired Selwyn House social sciences teacher Roger Nincheri returned to SHS in March to teach Middle School students about stained glass art. It's a subject Roger knows well. His grandfather was Guido Nincheri, sometimes referred to as Montreal's Michelangelo, who created many famous stained glass windows in churches across Canada and the U.S. The students were learning how to make stained glass artworks as part of their Intensives Program at Selwyn House. In the photo, Roger can be seen guiding a group of students through Saint-Léon de Westmount Church.

First Selwyn House Hall of Famer, Fleischer '92 named to Choate Hall of Fame

On May 11, Selwyn House Old Boy Tim Fleischer '92 was inducted into the Athletic Hall of Fame of Choate Rosemary Hall prep school in Connecticut.

In 2010, Tim was one of the first two athletes named to the Selwyn House Athletic Hall of Fame.

Tim really left a huge impression on Selwyn House athletics. In 1988, he played a major role in Selwyn House School's first Bantam GMAA Football Championship. As well, he was a valuable member of the GMAA Rugby 7s Bantam Championship. From 1989 to 1991, he played on the school's varsity football teams, playing quarterback and serving as a team captain in 1991. In hockey, he co-captained the varsity team to a rare double championship by capturing the GMAA High School crown followed by the Provincial High School Championship in 1992. Tim is a two-time member of the Selwyn House Sportsman's Guild and co-winner of the McMaster Trophy as Selwyn's top athlete.

Upon graduation, Tim entered Choate-Rosemary Hall School in Wallington, Connecticut, where he continued to lead on the field and on the ice. He captained the football team to back-to-back New England Prep School Championships in



Tim with Annie Snabl at Old Boys' Reunion

football history. The following year Tim switched to defensive end, where he developed into an Ivy-League All-Star.

He finished his storied Harvard career as team captain with an Ivy League Championship in 1997. In 1998, the Hamilton Tiger-Cats drafted Tim first overall. In his second year with the Cats playing defensive tackle, he won his first Grey Cup. In 2000, Tim signed as a free agent with the Montreal Alouettes and in 2002 won a Grey Cup with the Als.

In 2003 and 2004, Tim played with the Ottawa Renegades. In 2005, he signed with the Edmonton Eskimos and, yes, won his third Grey Cup against Montreal in a famous overtime game. Tim then moved to Regina and played his final two seasons with the Saskatchewan Roughriders and, yes, won a fourth Grey Cup in 2007.

In a career totaling 10 years, Tim participated in six Grey Cups and won four Grey Cup rings. Tim is extremely proud of his CFL accomplishments, but he is equally proud of his captain's responsibilities and his player representative duties with Montreal, Ottawa, Edmonton and Saskatchewan.

Fleischer was nominated in 2004 and 2005 for the Tom Pate Award for outstanding service in the community. He joined Gil Scott Sports Management as a partner in January 2008. A sports agency for NFL/CFL players, and NHL management, GSSM has represented athletes such as Andy Fantuz (Hamilton Tiger Cats), Jon Ryan (Seattle Seahawks), and Chris Getzlaf (Saskatchewan Roughriders), and management such as Peter Chiarelli (Edmonton Oilers), Randy Carlyle and Mike Singletary.

Tim is now the Executive Director of Concussion Legacy Foundation Canada, whose mission is "to advance the study, treatment and prevention of the effects of brain trauma in Canadian athletes and other at-risk groups."

**Tim won his spot at starting fullback
and became the first freshman
to start in Harvard football history.**

1992 and 1993. He played varsity hockey on the first line and is very proud of finishing third in discus in the New England Prep School Track and Field Championship in 1993.

Tim graduated from Choate with academic honors and was accepted at Harvard University, where he studied English and economics. In the fall of 1994, Tim won his spot at starting fullback and became the first freshman to start in Harvard

Torrey's breakaway puts Canada on scoreboard

A goal by Canadian Daniel Winnik off a rebound from a breakaway by teammate Torrey Mitchell 2002 put Team Canada on the scoreboard in Europe's Spengler Cup on December 31.

The Spengler Cup, purportedly the oldest hockey tournament in the world, has been won by Canada 16 times since it was founded in 1923, including the past three years. But this was not Canada's year, as the opposing team, Finland's KalPa Kuopio, came back to tie the game and win in the shootout.

For this tournament, which takes place over the Christmas holidays, Canada fields a squad made up of Canadians who are playing for various European teams.

Since July of 2018, Torrey has been playing with the Lausanne HC in Switzerland, where he has scored six goals in 20 games.

"He's been averaging 18 minutes on ice per game," says his dad, retired Selwyn House Director of Athletics Steve Mitchell, "but they don't play four times a week like you do in the NHL."



Old Boys' Calendar of Events 2019-2020

Details and registration for each event available at www.selwyn.ca as each event is confirmed.

Wednesday, August 21, 2019:
19th Annual Young Old Boys' Barbecue
 (Classes of 2014-2018)
 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. Coristine Hall
 or OBA Playground

Wed, Sept. 25, 2019 to May 13, 2020:
Old Boys' Wednesday Night Basketball
 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. Macaulay Gym
 (blackouts: Oct 2, Dec 18, 25, Jan 1, Mar 4, 11)
 Colin No Classic - Wed. Jan 22, 2019, 6-9 p.m.

Friday, September 27, 2019:
41st Annual Mtd Old Boys' Reunion & AGM
 5:00 – 10:30 p.m. Coristine Hall & Rossy Agora

Monday, Oct. 21, 2019:
Calgary Old Boys' Reunion
 6:00 – 9:30 p.m. Venue TBD

Tuesday, Oct. 22, 2019:
Vancouver Old Boys' Reunion
 6:00 – 9:30 p.m. Venue TBD

Wednesday, Nov. 13, 2019:
Grade 11 OBA Induction Dinner
 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. Coristine Hall

Tuesday, November 5, 2019:
Ottawa Old Boys' Reunion
 6:00 – 9:30 p.m. Venue TBD

Thursday, November 28, 2019:
Founder's Day
 6:00 – 9:30 p.m. Coristine Hall

Thursday, December 19, 2019:
21st Annual Old Boys' Hockey Tournament
 1:00–5:00 p.m. Westmount Recreation Centre

Wed, January 22, 2020
16th Annual Colin No Basketball Classic
 6:00 – 9:00 p.m. Mac Gym

Week of March 4:
Paris Old Boys' Reunion
 6:00 – 10:00 p.m. Venue TBD

Week of March 4:
London Old Boys' Reunion
 6:00 – 10:00 p.m. Venue TBD

Friday, April 3, 2020:
OBA Spring Soccer Derby
 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. Stinger Dome

Wednesday, April 15, 2020:
Toronto Old Boys' Reunion
 6:00 – 9:30 p.m. Venue TBD

Thursday, April 16, 2020:
New York Old Boys' Reunion
 6:00 – 9:30 p.m. Venue TBD

Monday, May 25, 2020:
22nd Annual Old Boys' & Friends Golf Tournament
 12:30 p.m. Kanawaki Golf Club

Wednesday, June 17, 2020:
18th Annual Old Boys' Tennis Tournament
 5:30 p.m. Hillside Tennis Club

For more info, go to:
www.selwyn.ca/OldBoys/Events

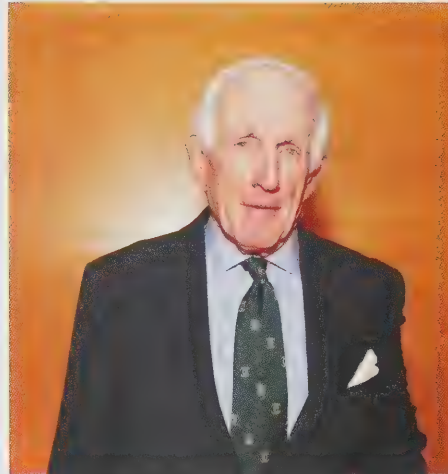
Montreal Reunion 2018

One-hundred twenty-seven Old Boys, staff and guests attended the 2018 Montreal Old Boys' Reunion, held on Sept. 28.

Special anniversary years were those classes of years ending in an 8 or a 3.

Those present were:

Cliff Adelman '98
Justin Ajmo '93
Amanpreet Atwal 2013
Andrew Aziz 2013
David Balass 2013
Cody Barker-Greene '93
Philip Barnes '93
Stephen Baxter 2013
Bill Bedard (staff)
Marie-Eve Bercier
Charles Bierbrier '93
Kathleen Biggs (retired staff)
Hugh Blakely '68
Roger Nincheri (retired staff)
E.-J. Boffey 2012
Andrew Bourne '98
Kevin Boyle '97
Colin Boyle (retired staff)
Ryan Brun 2008
James Cameron '98
Salvatore Castellano '98
Joshua Chinks '98
Adario Chirgwin-Dasgupta 2016
Nicholas Claxton 2013
Mary Ann Cloherty (staff)
Michael Codina-Lucia 2008
Joshua Cummings '93
William Daly '52
Michael Darling '68
John Despic '68
Nicolas Domingue 2013
Michael Downey (staff)
Michael Duchesne '98
Camilo Durana '98
Zoe Egger (guest)
Ryan Egger 2008
Samuel Fagen 2013
Daniel Fanaberia '98
Marc-André Fernandes 2008
Kathy Funamoto (staff)
Alessandro Galeone 2008
Samir Gouin 2016
Peter Govan (staff)
Justin Greenberg '98



William Daly, Class of '52



Michael Martin, John Moseley (both '66)



Members of the Class of '68



Members of the Class of '78

Montreal Reunion 2018

Bryan Guinness '93
 Eric Hamovitch '68
 Hal Hannaford (staff)
 Ryan Hendy '98
 Jeremy Herman 2013
 Caleb Jones 2008
 Tom Kabuga '93
 Masaud Kakkar '93
 Tomas Kaufman '77
 Tomas Kaufman 2016
 Nazar Khan 2013
 H. C. Kokinasidis '93
 Irina Kondratieva (staff)
 Daniel Kost-Stephenson 2008
 Michael Kounadis 2013
 Jordan Kruger 2013
 Jeremy Lafontaine-Fokas 2013
 Mark Lazar '68
 Justin Leopold 2008
 Andrew Lowther 2012
 Anthony Lowther 2008
 Timothy Lymberiou '98
 Scott Macdonell (guest)
 Tiff Macklem '78
 Victoria Malcolm (guest)
 Dugald Malcolm '93
 Carol Manning (staff)
 Michael Martin '66
 Emanuel Mateus 2013
 Charles McCluskey 2013
 Sean McKinnon '98
 James F. McMillan (staff)
 Christopher Mee '93
 Farhan Memon '88
 Brenda Montgomery (staff)
 Cindy Morton (staff)
 John Moseley '66
 Christopher Moseley '68
 Thomas J. Nicoll (retired staff)
 Alexandros Nikolopoulos 2013
 Jeremy Obrand 2013
 Matthew Oliver '98
 Thomas Oliver '68
 Michael Palayew 2013
 Ulysses Pamel 2013
 Geoffrey Parsons 2013
 Martin Patriquin '93
 Kevin Paul 2008
 Douglas Peets '78
 Michael Penner '86
 Stephen Penner '83



Matthew Stevenson (left) and Farhan Memon of the Class of '88



Members of the Class of '93



Members of the Class of '98

Montreal Reunion 2018

Joshua Peress 2013
 George Perlman 2013
 Ellen R. Pinchuk (retired staff)
 Thomas Pitfield '93
 Martin Pitt-Bradley '98
 Ian Ratzer '98
 Kevin Riggs '98
 Charles Rohlicek '73
 Konrad Schwarz '93
 Robert Seely '68
 Evan Sequeira 2008
 Patrick Shannon (retired staff)
 Minna Shulman (retired staff)
 Anit Soni '93
 Scott Speirs '93
 David Stein 2008
 Matthew Stevenson '88
 Philip Ta Kim 2008
 Tristano Tenaglia 2008
 Sean Tepper 2008
 Jason Tsoukas '99
 Charles-Alexandre Vennat 2005
 Justin Vineberg '88
 Qifan Wang 2013
 Philip Waters '93
 Johanne Werbiski (retired staff)
 G. S. White '78
 Michael Whitehead '78
 Barry Williams (retired staff)
 Richard Wills (staff)
 Joshua Wisenthal '99
 Hou Ji Yao 2013



Members of the Class of 2008



Members of the Class of 2013



From 2008, left to right: Michael Codina-Lucia, Philip Ta Kim, Ryan Brun, Justin Leopold, Sean Tepper and David Stein

Reunions



CALGARY: A couple of last-minute cancellations for family reasons left the attendance at the Oct. 16 Calgary Old Boys' Reunion at two Old Boys and three staff members. Attending were: Mike Downey (staff), Taylor Gray '73, Hal Hannaford (staff), James McMillan (staff), and Jon Zyto '80. Regrets from Kasey Fukada '84 and Jamie Seguin '96.



PARIS: Seven Old Boys, staff and guests gathered at REED Restaurant on March 20 for the annual Paris Old Boys' Reunion. Attending, from left to right, were: Linda Mackey (guest), Derek de Bono '87, Mike Maurovich (staff), Tim Bishop '85, Jonathan Burnham '83, Linda Mackey (guest), Jennifer Manal (guest), and James McMillan (missing from photo).

Reunions



VANCOUVER: Nineteen Old Boys and staff members attended the Vancouver Reunion on Oct. 17. In attendance were: Michael Alexandor '52, Erica Bloom (guest), Noah Bloom '96, Zander Brais 2011, John Carsley '67, Tim Charron 2007, Graham Colby '96, Mike Downey (staff), Hal Hannaford (staff), Graham Hooton 2008, Oliver Laroche 2007, Nicholas LeMoine '56, James McMillan (staff), Bryan Price '83, Daniel Reitman '96, Hilary Rousseau (guest), John Schwenk '77, Matthew Singerman '96 and Danny Naami '99.



OTTAWA: Eighteen Old Boys, guests, staff and former staff members gathered at the Courtyard Restaurant for the annual Ottawa Reunion. Present were: Bobby Chon 2002, Greg Fergus '86, Gail Gavan (former staff), Maurice Gibbs '90, Jonathan Herman '80, Natalie Lapierre (guest), Jeff Lorenzetti '92, Robert Maranda '92, Rodney Moore '58, Gordon Peters '58, Ivan Ralston '61, Robert Tennant '66, Bill Turner '73, George Windsor '56, Hou Ji Yao 2013, Mary Ann Cloherty (staff), Mike Downey (staff) and James McMillan (staff).

Reunions

LONDON

Twelve Old Boys, staff and guests gathered on March 21 at Barrafinn, for the annual London Old Boys' Reunion. Present (from left) were: Michael Maurovich (staff), James Phillips '83, Marilyn Harrington (guest), Conrad Harrington 2000, Charles Madon 2005, Samer Balaghi 2006, Joe Stonehouse 2004, Eugene Dimitriou '88, Matthew Holy 2008, and Alexander Vit 2007. Missing from photo: James McMillan (staff) and Chris Rainville 2009.



TORONTO:

Attendance at the April 23 Toronto Old Boys' Reunion was way up from recent years, with 43 Old Boys, staff and guests gathering at Biff's Bistro on Front Street. Present were: Oneal Banerjee '90, Alexander Beamish '75, Mary Ann Cloherty (staff), Brian Dawson '80, James Brooks '97, Anthony Garufi '98, Josh Hanek 2009, Hal Hannaford (staff), Marc Heron 2008, Brendan Keefe 2010, Jason Leopold 2006, Bill Lynn (guest), Margaret Lynn (former staff), Michael Maurovich (staff), Sean McKinnon '98, James McMillan (staff), Jack Melkerson 2009, James Menzies 2009, Marc Minogue 2007, Corey Nicholson '73, Jay Nicholson '69, Arne Peterson 2004, Jacob Peterson 2008, Martin Pitt-Bradley '98, Chris Porraccio '99, Keeyan Ravanshid 2015, Vicar Rizvi 2005, Christopher Roper '72, Kamil Roy 2013, Stuart Rutledge '91, Jordan Samberg 2013, Susan Schaal (guest), Peter Schaal '58, Evan Sequeira 2008, Kyam Shell-Schnitzer 2001, Sean Tepper 2008, Charles Tingley '91, Jon Tryansky '94, Bill Turner '73, Philip Vineberg 2008, Michael Whitehead '78, Bruce Williams '77 and David Williams '80.

Class of 2019 inducted into OBA

All 66 members of the Selwyn House Class of 2019 were officially inducted into the Old Boys' Association at a dinner in Coristine Hall on Nov. 6. Fifteen Old Boys (some of whom have sons in the Class of 2019) joined the students for dinner and to hear greetings from OBA President Charles-Alexandre Vennat 2005, Advancement Director James McMillan and Headmaster Hal Hannaford.



Brothers Jacob 2011 (left) and Joshua 2019 Cohen



NEW YORK:

Seventeen Old Boys, staff and guests attended the New York Old Boys' Reunion at The Palm West Side on April 25. Present were: Mani Alaei 2005, Aaron Besner 2005, Hans Black '98, Matt Busbridge '99, Rabib Chaudhury 2005, Mary Ann Cloherty (staff), Hal Hannaford (staff), Reid Hannaford 2012, Nicholas Johnson 2015, Yiwen Li 2015, James McMillan (staff), Daniel Palardy 2004, Jacquie G. (guest), Chris Teryazos '94, Teddy Teryazos (guest), Belinda Teryazos (guest) and Shawn Trudeau 2001.

Gold takes Nicoll / Mitchell Cup



The victorious Gold. Standing, from left: Steve Mitchell, Phil Cutler, Olivier Saleh, William Malouf, Jules Gagnon, Scott Spector, Keeyan Ravanshid and Tom Nicoll. Kneeling: Jonathan Brun, Roderick Leider, Anthony Lowther and Daniel Malouf.

Fifty-six Old Boys, staff and guests took part in the 21st Annual Nicoll/Mitchell Cup, held at Westmount Recreational Centre on Dec. 20.

Present were:

Luke Avedesian 2018
Mike Avedesian '88
Ryan Beauchamp 2014
Bernard B  chard-Torres 2012
Fran  ois Bergon '97
James Brooks '97
Jonathan Brun 2000
Jordan Busner 2019
Mary Ann Cloherty (staff)
Jacob Cohen 2011
Phil Cutler 2005
Jules Gagnon 2015
Peter Govan (staff)
Dave Haber '94
Camille Hamel d'Entremont 2005
Hal Hannaford (staff)

Peter Higgins '89
Giordano Iannarino 2018
Graeme Jarvis '82
Nick Kaulbach '94
Irina Kondratieva (staff)
Chris LaPerle (staff)
Roderick Leider 2000
Anthony Lowther 2008
Scott Macdonnell (staff)
Daniel Malouf 2015
William Malouf 2015
Dimitri Manousos 2003
Peter Manousos (guest)
Harry Maurovich 2019
Mike Maurovich (staff)
James McMillan (staff)
Jason Miller 2013
Steve Mitchell (retired staff)
Cindy Morton (staff)
Tom Nicoll (retired staff)
Eli Nuez 2018
Kyle Oberfeld 2017
Alfie Paoletti (retired staff)

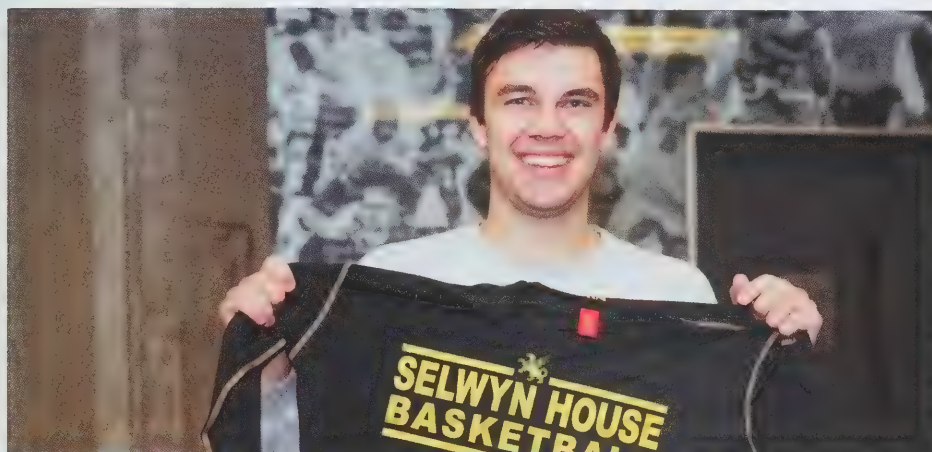


David Pascal '82
Jean Pruneau (staff)
Kevin Ratcliff '77
Keeyan Ravanshid 2015
William Robinson 2019
Chris Rochon 2002
Matthew Rossy 2012
Olivier Saleh 2005
Scott Spector 2015

Trevor Tabah 2016
Nicholas Thorpe 2005
Dan Ton-That 2012
Alexander Wagner 2002
Ben Wearing '94
Richard Wills (staff)
Josh Wisenthal '99
Nicholas Yanow '97

Video: www.selwy.ca/oldboysnews

Numbers up at Colin No Classic



George Loutochin



From left: Brendan Munzar, Ziad Kaedbey and Will Molson



Colin No's twin brother, Toby, with his family at the tournament. From left: Ethan, Chantal Canlas, Karissa, Toby and Keira.

Thirty-six Old Boys, staff and guests took part in the 15th annual Colin No Classic basketball tournament on Jan. 30, up 14 from last year.

The tournament is organized in memory of Colin No, a 1997 graduate who died in 2002.

The Colin No Fund continues to grow, providing needs-based bursaries to students attending Selwyn House in Grades 7-11.

Video: www.selwy.ca/oldboynews

PLAYERS and SPECTATORS:

Kevin Boyle '97
 Marty Boyle (staff)
 Phil Clark 2005
 Michael Cohen 2009
 Mark Esposito 2005
 Pete Govan (staff)
 Robert Joy 2012
 Ziad Kaedbey '97
 James Kaedbey (guest)
 Patrick Kishfy 2004
 Tim Lane (staff)
 Stephen Letko 2009
 George Loutochin 2013
 Jon Lutter Hoppenheim 2004
 Justin Kuzmicki 2005
 Ian Marquis '97
 Richard Martz '97
 Arielle Martz (guest)
 Mike Maurovich (staff)
 Jon Merritt 2004
 Michael Mills (guest)
 Sterling Mitchell 2012
 Will Molson 2004
 Brendan Munzar 2005
 Toby No '97
 Kevin Paul 2008
 Matt Rossy 2012
 Adrian Schauer '96
 Karl Schroeder 2009
 James McMillan (staff)
 Mary Ann Cloherty (staff)
 Richard Wills (staff)
 Chantal Canlas (guest)
 Karissa No (guest)
 Keira No (guest)
 Ethan No (guest)

Golf tournament raises \$63,000

A foursome made up of three current Selwyn House parents and a graduate of the Class of 1989 won the 21st Annual Old Boys and Friends' Golf Tournament on May 27. Joseph Ciccarello, Nick Christoforou, Anthony Amalfitano and Peter Higgins '89 registered a low gross of 146.5.

The tournament cup and gold blazer for the Old Boys' Low Gross were presented to Ed Morin 2000 with a 79.

Guest Low Gross went to Joseph Ciccarello with an 81.

Staff Low Gross went to Bob Bouskill with an 83.

The Most Honest Staff Golfer Award went to Headmaster Hal Hannaford with a 101.

By the time the 49 participants headed out onto the course, grey and threatening morning skies had turned into a glorious day at Kanawaki Golf Course for the tournament.

The tournament raised over \$63,000 for the Old Boys Endowment Fund for needs-based bursaries, with a portion supporting the Old Boys' Trip Fund and the Old Boys' Speaker Series.



Headmaster Hal Hannaford (left) presents the award for Old Boys' Low Gross to Ed Morin 2000



Matt Addona on the practice range



The winning foursome, from left: Anthony Amalfitano, Nick Christoforou, Joseph Ciccarello and Peter Higgins '89.

Naudie and McKinnon called to Hall



Doug Naudie '88

Selwyn House School welcomed two new inductees to its Athletics Hall of Fame on Thursday, May 30. Dr. Doug Naudie '88 and David McKinnon '95 joined the nine other inductees as a reflection of their impressive Selwyn House and post-Selwyn athletic and academic careers.

The award is widely considered the school's most prestigious student-athlete award, and is given to the student-athlete who best combines academics, athletics and community leadership qualities.

Doug Naudie

After graduating from Selwyn House, Doug Naudie continued his studies at John Abbott College, where he received the Jeff Mills Trophy. He continued on to McGill University, playing for the Redmen football team and receiving nominations for the President's Trophy (top defensive player in the nation) and the Russ Jackson Trophy (combining athletics, academics and citizenship).

Now an orthopedic surgeon based in London, Ontario, Doug starred at both John Abbott College and McGill

University after donning the Black and Gold in soccer, football, hockey and rugby. Serving as a team captain wherever he played, he enjoyed a dual career in hockey and football at Abbott before concentrating his efforts on football at McGill. A first-team All-Canadian and multiple-time Academic All-Canadian in university, he was the quintessential student-athlete.

In his induction speech, with a focused and intense manner, Naudie highlighted the importance of student-athletes remaining dedicated to their studies as they pursue their academic goals in his induction speech.

David McKinnon

David McKinnon, who is now based in Tokyo, Japan and routinely works throughout Asia in investment banking, was a championship-winning quarterback for Selwyn House who continued to excel at both Choate Rosemary Hall and McGill University. A strong football, basketball and rugby player at Selwyn House, he originally pursued a career as a

A first-team All-Canadian... he was the quintessential student-athlete.



David McKinnon '95

physical educator, before moving overseas and making a dramatic transition into finance.

David excelled in football and basketball at Selwyn House, and was the first-ever recipient of a major Football Quebec bursary recognizing academic and athletic excellence. He attended Choate Rosemary Hall, where he starred on both the football and basketball teams before continuing on to McGill University. He started at quarterback as a rookie in the football program, and was a two-time Academic All-Canadian. While pursuing his Master's degree, he became the first quarterback in the history of the revived University of Montréal Carabins football program.

In his induction speech, McKinnon explained that he was a kid who "committed crimes in the name of cool" as a new student when he arrived at SHS in Grade 9. He credited Selwyn House with setting him on a new path in both his personal and professional life, giving notable mentions to coaches Mike Maurovich and Alfie Paoletti.

The making of a true Veritas Man

Brave and manly, but also gentle and tender. Practical as well as generous in your ideals. Eyes on the stars, but feet on the ground. These apparent opposites—from a quotation by Theodore Roosevelt—describe a true Veritas Man.

This was the message from Headmaster Hal Hannaford in his June 19 address to the graduating Class of 2019.

“Courage, hard work, mastery and intelligent effort are all essential to a successful life,” Roosevelt said. “Character, in the long run, is the decisive factor in the life of an individual and of nations alike.”

“We have worked so hard over the past decade to make this VERITAS thing the



Selwyn House brand,” Mr. Hannaford said.

“And my wish would be that you take this brand with you. Reflect back upon these lessons. Like Theodore Roosevelt and Mahatma Ghandi and Martin Luther King, like Rabbi Hillel, like Jesus.... Know yourself so that you may be able to believe in yourself.”

The Headmaster then turned to the three keys to happiness in life: friendship, family and kindness. All of these require investments of time and commitment, but these investments reap huge returns, Mr. Hannaford said. That road leads to happiness, which, in turn, “leads to success in any way you would like to measure it.”



From left: William Reford, Charlie McLernon, Jonathan Milner and William Robinson

2019 Graduation Prize Winners

Distinction Awards:

- The Prize for Distinction in Music:
Jonathan Milner, Samuel Charette
- The C. G. Ian Burgess Award for
Distinction in Creative Writing: Bernard Liu
- The Byron W. Harker Prize for Distinction in Literature:
Jonathan Milner, Kaylan Bruno
- The E. C. Moodey Debating Prize:
Gabriel Di Bert, Joshua Cohen
- Les Prix de Distinction en Français:
Français Régulier: Nicolas Kaufman
Français Enrichi: Jordan Busner
Français Plus: Paul Humennyj
- The Moodey Prize for Distinction in Mathematics:
SN Math: Louis Villemure
CST Math: Thomas Martin
- The Prize for Distinction in Calculus: Milton Moukas
- The Prize for Distinction in Chemistry: Jonathan Milner
- The Prize for Distinction in Physics:
Joshua Cohen, Stanford Li
- The McGill Science Award: Jonathan Milner
- The Yearbook Prize:
Nicholas de Courcy-Ireland, Philip de la Sablonnière
- The D.W. Christie History Prize: James Michelin
- The Vincent Prager Award for Law: Ian Mahutte
- Distinction in Contemporary World/Monde Contemporain:
Colin Rolph (English); Jonathan Milner (French)
- The Prize for Distinction in Economics: Gabriel Di Bert
- The Prize for Distinction in Political Science:
Gianni D'Alessio Palombo
- The Troubetzkoy Prize for Social Studies: Kyle Zitzmann
- The McGill Award of Excellence in the Social Sciences:
Gabriel Di Bert

Special Awards:

- Thomas Henry Pentland Molson Prize for General Excellence:
Joshua Cohen
- The Governor General's Bronze Medal for Academic
Distinction in the Secondary School: Stanford Li
- The YMCA Community Service Award: Israel Dial
- The Massi Prize for Effort:
Hunter Bériault, Tehowennathe Patton
- The Millennium Prize (donated by the Class Of 1999):
Gianni D'Alessio Palombo
- The Redpath Herald Award:
Joshua Cohen, Kathy Funamoto
- The Thomas Chalmers Brainerd Memorial Award:
Nicolas Kaufman
- The Jeffrey Russel Prize: William Robinson
- The Lucas Memorial Medal: Colin Rolph



Colin Rolph receives the Lucas Memorial Medal from Charles Bierbrier '93 (left) and Senior School Head and Assistant Headmaster Mike Downey.



William Robinson receives the Jeffrey Russel Prize from his uncle, Charles Bierbrier '93 (left), and Mike Downey.



Stanford Li receives the Governor General's Medal from (left to right) Head of Elementary School Kathy Funamoto, Head of Middle School Carol Manning and Senior School Head Mike Downey.

Class of 2019 Academic Destinations



Lorenzo Accurso Marianopolis Health Science
 Alexander Aiken John Abbott Arts and Science
 Anthony Alberga Marianopolis Social Science
 Dylan Beauchamp LCC
 Justin Belland Dawson ... Honours Pure and Applied Science
 Peter Beltekas Marianopolis Health Science
 Hunter Bériault Kents Hill School Kents Hill, ME
 Jade Boucetta Upper Canada College Toronto, ON
 Kaylan Bruno Marianopolis Health Science
 Jordan Busner Middlesex School Concord, MA
 William Carlier Trinity College School Port Hope, ON
 Eric Chamandy Holderness School Holderness, NH
 Christophe Charbonneau Marianopolis Pure and Applied Science
 Samuel Charette Édouard-Montpetit Health Science
 Ben Coffin Igartua Marianopolis Commerce
 Joshua Cohen Dawson ... Honours Pure and Applied Science
 Gianni D'Alessio Palombo Marianopolis Psychology
 Marcus Da Silva-Rosa Marianopolis Social Science
 Nicholas de Courcy-Ireland Champlain Commerce
 Theodore Dedes Marianopolis Pure and Applied Science
 Philip de la Sablonnière Brébeuf Pure and Applied Science
 Israel Dial John Abbott Social Science
 Gabriel Di Bert Marianopolis Law, Society and Justice
 Alexei Dikranian Holderness Holderness, NH
 Hans Dres Kents Hill School Kents Hill, ME
 Calvin Erdstein Vanier Social Science
 Joshua Feldman Marianopolis Law, Society and Justice
 Raphaël Ferreira Millbrook School Millbrook, NY
 Adam Girling Dawson Commerce
 Paul Humennyj Dawson ... Honours Pure and Applied Science
 Matteo Iasenza LCC
 Marco Ingelmo Marianopolis Honours Commerce
 Alexander Kaloyannis Marianopolis Health Science

Nicolas Kaufman Marianopolis Social Science Two Math
 Nikolas Korderas Dawson Social Science
 Gregory Kragaris Trinity College School Port Hope, ON
 Nicholas Kragaris Marianopolis Commerce
 Oliver Lasry Marianopolis Social Science
 Alexandre Latkovski Williston Northampton School Easthampton, MA
 Joseph Lepage Hoosac School Hoosick, NY
 Stanford Li Marianopolis Honours Pure and Applied Sci.
 Bernard Liu Marianopolis Pure and Applied Science
 Ian Mahutte Marianopolis Honours Social Science
 Thomas Martin Dawson Social Science
 Jacob Mason Vanier Business Management
 Markus Masoud Dawson Social Science
 Harrison Maurovich St. Paul's School Concord, NH
 Charles McLernon Class Afloat
 James Michelin Dawson Commerce
 Jonathan Milner LCC
 Milton Moukas Marianopolis Honours Pure and Applied Sci.
 Sebastien Moulard Dawson Commerce
 Tehowennathe Patton Marianopolis Law, Society and Justice
 William Petrecca-Berthelet Marianopolis Commerce
 Kamar Razek Marianopolis Pure and Applied Science
 William Reford Marianopolis Honours Commerce
 William Robinson Marianopolis Pure and Applied Science
 Colin Rolph Phillips Exeter Academy Exeter, NH
 Malcolm Skeete Marianopolis Commerce
 Sean Sowden John Abbott Social Science
 Arjun Srivastava Centennial Social Science
 Jake Torralbo Dawson Commerce
 Alexandros Varvarigos Vanier Commerce
 Louis Villemure Marianopolis Honours Pure and Applied Sci.
 Kyle Zitzmann Marianopolis Honours Commerce

Athletic Award Winners 2019

Cross-Country Running

MVP Lorenzo Accurso

Rowing

Most Improved..... Imtiyaz Bandali

Best Teammate Matthew Homa

Golf

Most Improved..... Justin Belland

MVP (Pat Shannon Cup) Dylan Beauchamp

Bantam Soccer (Gold)

Most Improved..... James Martin

Most Promise Conrad Porteous

MVP Samuel Elkas

Bantam Soccer (Black)

Most Improved..... Jonathan Michaud Bang

MVP Pablo Baratta-Matheus

Midget Soccer

Most Improved..... Sebastian Johnson

MVP Justin Mendel

Juvenile Soccer

Offensive Player of the Year ... Adriano Cecere

MVP Thomas Martin

MVP Alexei Dikranian

Peewee Football

MVP Timothy Lewis-Jeremiah

MVP William Carvalho-Guertin

Cadet Football

Best Lineman Denis Dariotis

Offensive MVP Kai Beerworth

Defensive MVP Jaeden Edghill

Juvenile Football

Most Improved..... Kaylan Bruno

Most Promise Barthélemy Hugé

Best Offensive Lineman

(Bob Anderson Trophy) Thomas Senese

Best Defensive Lineman

(Bob Anderson Trophy) Hunter Bériault

Coaches' Award Marco Ingelmo

Offensive MVP

(William Molson Trophy) William Sebag

Defensive MVP

(Rob Wearing Cup) William Robinson

Team MVP Harrison Maurovich

MS Fencing

Most Promise Adolfo de Motta Molina

Most Improved..... Marc Gélinas

MVP William Vu

SS Fencing

Most Improved..... William Carlier

Most Improved..... Eli Grant

Most Promise Vito Guzzo

MVP Ian Mahutte

Curling

Most Promise Matthew Homa

MVP David Layman

Wrestling

Most Promise Justin Boomhower

Most Promise Ted Felgar

Most Improved..... Alessandro Lorenzetti

Outstanding Wrestler Nicolas Kaufman

Bantam Basketball

Coaches' Award.. William Carvalho-Guertin

MVP Timothy Lewis-Jeremiah

Midget Basketball

Coaches' Award Beck Majdell

MVP Denis Dariotis

MVP Dean Farias

Juvenile D3 Basketball

Coaches' Award Oscar McCavour

MVP Enoch Tamale

Juvenile D1 Basketball

Most Promise William Sebag

Most Improved.... Christophe Charbonneau

Defensive MVP Colin Rolph

MVP

(Alfie Paoletti Trophy) . Harrison Maurovich

Peewee Hockey

Most Promise Seth Baily

Most Improved..... Max Depatie

Offensive MVP Christopher Rossy

Offensive MVP Joshua Samuels

MVP

(Brian Taylor Trophy) Ramy Sirhan

Bantam Hockey

Most Improved..... Elliott Walter

Best Two-Way Player

Markus Lulic-Descheneaux

Defensive MVP George Papadopoulos

MVP Sebastian Johnson

Juvenile D3 Hockey

Most Improved..... Christopher Denham

Most Promise Matthison Avedesian

Defensive MVP Sean Sowden

MVP William Petrecca-Berthelet

Juvenile D1 Hockey

Most Improved..... Carl Heidemann

Coaches' Award Jet Astrologo

Top Forward Alexei Dikranian

Defensive MVP Eric Chamandy

MVP Alexandre Latkovski

Rowing Team

Most Improved .. Nicholas de Courcy-Ireland

Best Teammate Oliver Delplace

Most Dedicated Rower..... Alexis Delplace

MS Track & Field

MVP Beck Majdell

SS Track & Field

Most Improved..... Tomas Dubroca

MVP (Midget) Simon Trudeau

MVP (Midget) Isaac Cape

MVP (Juvenile) Kaylan Bruno

MVP (Juvenile) Nicolas Kaufman

Tennis

Coaches' Award Eric Chamandy

Baseball

Most Promise James Rosenbloom

Most Promise Ramy Sirhan

MVP Blake Kastner

MVP Matteo Iasenza

Bantam Rugby

Best Forward Max Depatie

Best Back..... Victor Mayer

MVP Nathaniel Mitelman

Midget Rugby

Most Improved..... Avery Favretto

Most Improved..... Max Heidemann

Best Forward Michael Feldman

MVP Jaeden Edghill

Juvenile Rugby

Peter Govan Coaches' Award.....

Philippe Carvalho-Guertin

Coaches' Award Charles McLernon

Best Back..... Harrison Maurovich

Best Forward Lorenzo Accurso

MVP (Martin JF Borner Cup)... Colin Rolph

Special Recognition

Bantam Basketball

GMAA Division 2 League Finalists

CAIS U-13 National Champions

Juvenile Division 1 Hockey

LHIQ Division 1 Champions

Peewee Hockey

LHIQ Division 2 Champions

Bantam Rugby

GMAA Division 2 League Champions

The Comeback Award.....Sean Sowden

SHS Athletics Department Award

..... Christophe Charbonneau

Alumni Award.....Jaeden Edghill

Cassils Memorial Cup..... Ramy Sirhan

David Tobias Memorial Cup

..... Juvenile Basketball

GMAA Division 2 League Finalists

McMaster Memorial Sportsman Cup

(Sr. Athlete of the Year).... Harrison Maurovich

Sportsman's Guild

Grade 10: Carl Heidemann, William Sebag

Grade 11 (re-elected): Harrison Maurovich

Grade 11: Hunter Bériault, Kaylan Bruno,

Alexei Dikranian, Alexandre Latkovski, Ian

Mahutte, William Robinson, Colin Rolph,

Sean Sowden. Staff: Sophie Drisdelle, Cath-

erine Lumsden, Matt Pickrell

Old Boy Updates

SHS family members make Top 100 in Quebec

The January issue of *L'Actualité* magazine contains a list of "The Top 100 Most Influential People of Quebec."

As one might expect, there are several members of the Selwyn House School community on the list. In no particular order, they are: Vincenzo Guzzo '86 (Current Parent), Geoff

Molson '87 (Parent of Old Boys), André Desmarais '73 and his wife, France (Parents of Old Boys), as well as Current Parents Stephen Bronfman and Alain Bellemare.

Congratulations to all!



Who is that woman in pink almost blocking our view of Rodney Moore '58 in this archival photo?

1949

Anson McKim '49 recently finished a book co-authored with The Rev. J.S.S. Armour about the history of the two Presbyterian churches in Metis. Launched in the summer of 2018, *Scotch Settlers Dwelling There Alone* was recently awarded the prize for best congregational history 2018-19 by the Presbyterian Church of Canada.

1981

Four Selwyn House current and former students completed the Canadian Ski Marathon, North America's longest and oldest Nordic ski event February 9-10, skiing 80 km from Mont Tremblant to Montebello on Day 1 and 80 km from Montebello to Lachute on Day 2.

The **Aitken** brothers, **Trevor 2020** and **Angus 2017**, and their dad, **Ian '81**, challenged themselves with the highest Coureur des Bois level, which represents the ultimate winter performance. They skied the entire 160-km course in the two days while carrying backpacks containing all the necessities for the overnight camping adventure, including food, sleeping bag and clothing, and spent the night sleeping out under the stars on bales of hay in the Claude Belanger Gold Camp.

The **Delplace** brothers, **Alexis 2020** and **Oliver 2022** also skied all 10 sections covering the full 160 km.

1986

As a movie producer in Hollywood, **Anders Bard '86** has recently released *Like Father*, a dramedy starring Kristen Bell, Kelsey Grammer and Seth Rogan that Anders says has become the most-watched Netflix film ever.

"It has become one of the biggest hits in Netflix history, in terms of viewership," Anders recently wrote to Veritas.

Anders' name comes up frequently in a recent interview in *Forbes* magazine online with Lauren Miller Rogen, director of *Like Father*.

2002

Working under the professional name Maks Gabriel, **Maks Knecht 2002** has signed a contract with Lady Luck Songs in Nashville. *Music Row* magazine describes him as "a Canadian-

American producer-songwriter who has written and produced hits for numerous Canadian artists including Belly, Massari, Mia Martina, Danny Fernandes and Tyler Medeiros. He also received a Juno nomination for Dance Recording of the Year for his work on Mia Martina's album *Devotion*." His tracks have been featured in hit TV shows including *Nashville*, *The Mindy Project* and *True Blood*.

2011

Michael Forian 2011 served as campaign manager for Jennifer Maccarone, who ran for the Liberals in the riding of Westmount-St-Louis in the 2018 federal election. Prior to this, Michael served as a political advisor within the Quebec Liberal government of Philippe Couillard while completing his degree in Indigenous Affairs at Concordia University.

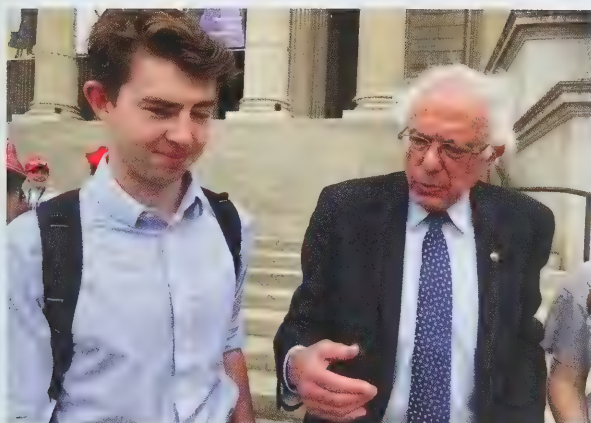
2013

Houji Yao 2013 writes: "Hope you are doing well! I am pleased to inform you that from Spring 2019 I am now a certified National Master by the Chess Federation of Canada! Tell Mr. Hannaford that if he wants a game he better do it sooner rather than later as I am only getting better ;)"

2014

On May 12, **Brandon Montour 2014**, now in his second year at Concordia University, will be inducted as a

Old Boy Updates



Who is that old man pestering Max Buck 2017 as he takes a tour of the US Capitol Building?

member of the 61st Garnet Key, a voluntary group of students sponsored by the president of the university who act as Concordia's official representatives.

"I am extremely grateful to have been selected to be a part of the 61st Garnet Key," says Brandon. "I'm just going to make sure to capitalize on this opportunity and enjoy every moment of it because it's a great opportunity to network with like-minded students."

Brandon is pursuing a Bachelor of Arts with a major in political science. Prior to Concordia, he attended the University of Toronto for two years before moving to Concordia.

"As Kanien'kehá:ka of the Haudenosaunee Confederacy, my background has been influential in guiding my career aspirations," Brandon says. "My aspiration for a career within the legal field, government, or both, has been largely influenced by my status as First Nations. Today, there are innumerable challenges faced by First Nations across Canada, and my utmost objective is to combine my passion for law and government in order to advocate for systemic issues pertaining to Indigenous affairs and affect positive change in Canadian society."

Clayton Sequeira 2014 will be a part of the 2019 Quarterback Internship

Program of the Canadian Football League.

2015

Gryphons football alumnus **Nolan Bedard 2015** was named the Defensive Player of the Week for the Queen's University Golden Gaels.

"Bedard has taken on a more prominent defensive role over the past few weeks and on Saturday it paid off with his strongest performance of his career" says the Queen's website.

"He had 7.5 tackles which was a career-high and led all defensive players in the game.

"Bedard's highlight of the game came in the first quarter when he hauled in the first interception of his career. With the Gaels up 7-3, the Marauders drove the ball across midfield before Andreas Dueck threw up a deep pass towards the Gaels end zone. Bedard came down with an athletic interception halting McMaster's drive."

2018

On March 26 at the McCord Museum in Montreal, Marc H. Choko, professor emeritus at UQAM, presented an award to **Jesse Caruso 2018** for winning first place at the SDGQ M. Choko poster contest. Jesse was representing Dawson College for the school's first time to win the award.

This is the fifth year of the poster competition by the Society of Graphic Designers of Quebec (SDGQ). This year's theme was: Native Languages as a Development Factor, in collaboration with Terres en Vues, a Montreal-based organization whose mission is to link the artistic and cultural renaissance of Canada's First Peoples to the vitality of a major metropolis.

Fifteen posters were selected for display at the McCord Museum. The exhibition will continue until April 14th.

O'Shae Ho-Sang 2017 has signed with the Calgary Dinos, canadafootballchat.com announced in June. After graduating from Selwyn House, O'Shae move to Readfield, Maine, where he played for the Kents Hills School Huskies. He won six "player of the game" awards in offence in 2018. The 6'1", 185-lb running back and outside linebacker rushed for 1165 yards on 144 carries and had 203 receiving yards off 10 catches. He also scored 10 touchdowns. On the defensive side, he had 26 solo tackles, seven assisted tackles, and one fumble recovery. He also defended four passes and ran for 64 yards off four kick-off returns.

Aria Khiabani 2018, now in Honours Commerce at Marañopolis, has been elected President of the Marianopolis Student Union for the 2019-2020 school year.

Luke Kalaydjian 2018 was elected president of the student body at The Hotchkiss School in Lakefield, Connecticut, it was announced May 2. Luke ran as a team candidate with his classmate Maggie Ottenbreit, with whom he will share the duties of serving as All-School President.

Interviewed by the *Hotchkiss Record*, Luke was gracious enough to mention Selwyn House and credit his alma mater with helping him develop his leadership skills. "My old school was fantastic," he said. "It was very special for me..."

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Ian Mahutte and **Gabriel Di Birt** (both 2019) did internships at law firms this past summer in Montreal. Ian was at Dentons (associated with Vincent Prager), and Gabriel was at Blakes, Cassells & Graydon. "I just finished the visit a few days ago and it was amazing!" Ian writes. "Truly an enlightening and inspirational experience that has left me in awe." ■

Obituaries

Speirs medallist taught 30 years at SHS

Jim Iversen, who taught at Selwyn House for 30 years and received the Speirs Medal—the school's highest honour— in 1997, died on Nov. 2 at age 98.

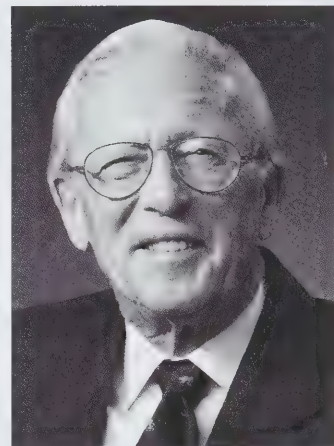
Jim had two sons attend Selwyn House: Erik '69 and Stuart '74.

The following obituary was published in the *Montreal Gazette* on Nov. 7

Peacefully on Friday November 2, 2018 in his ninety-ninth year, after a brief stay in hospital. Jim was predeceased by his beloved wife Mary (Molson). He is survived by his dear sister Marie (Ken) and his children Christine, Erik (Gillian), DeeDee (Paul), Stuart (Anouk), and Jay; his grandchildren Sarah, Rachel, Nicholas, Emma Lee, Leif, Patrick, Zoe, Jonathan, Amy, Adam and Alexis; great-grandchildren Hazel, Isaac, Willa, Asher, Noah, Alexandra, Wyatt and Alice. Jim was born on July 23, 1920 in Winnipeg to Knud Iversen and Emma Gillies. He lived with his family in New York and Montreal, graduating from Westhill High School before joining the Royal Canadian Air Force. He served as a radar technician with bomber squadrons in the north of England. After the war he graduated from McGill with an MA in English. On September 24, 1947, Jim and Mary married and they had five children. An intrepid and graceful skier, Jim enjoyed many wonderful winters at the Redbirds Ski Club, and with friends and family on the slopes of Hill 70 and elsewhere

in the St. Sauveur valley. Jim was also an enthusiastic golfer, skeet shooter ('100 Straight Club'), fisherman, and lover of sports, especially hockey and the Montreal Canadiens. Jim's entire professional career was at Selwyn House School, where he taught English, French and Math, and coached the ski team. He also served as Assistant Headmaster and University guidance counsellor. Former students remember him for his humour, eloquent instruction and sense of justice championing the underdog. The family wishes to thank the team of health care professionals who looked after Jim in the Orthopedic Trauma Unit (12th Floor East) of the Montreal General Hospital. The family also thanks Jim's devoted caregivers Lesley, Shanthi, Maureen, Grace, Carol, Dorothy and Rosa. A private family funeral was held on November 7 in Montreal.

Published on November 7, 2018



First Old Boy to teach at Selwyn House

The Reverend Frederick (Fred) Tees died peacefully at his home on Wednesday, May 2. Born in 1926 to Dr. Fred and Beatrice Tees, Fred married Eunice Templeton in 1963. Fred taught at Selwyn House School from 1954-1972. He was ordained into the ministry in 1974 and led congregations in Vankleek Hill, Sherbrooke, Verdun, Rawdon and Morin Heights. In his retirement, Fred lived in the Laurentians and revelled in the outdoors. Fred is survived and will be dearly missed by his sister Miriam, his sons David (Melanie) and Andrew (Kate), and his grandchildren Claire and Charlie. Service was held on Saturday, May 5 at 4:30 p.m. at Mountainside United Church, 687 Roslyn Ave. Westmount. Reception to follow. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to St. Columba House, 2365 Grand Trunk, Montreal, Qc.

Montreal Gazette obituary

Fred Tees '44 was the first Selwyn House Old Boy to return to the school to teach. From 1954 till 1972, he taught Middle School Latin and English, later specializing in geography, and assisted with the games. He also took over Scouts and, since he was an assistant commissioner of Scouts for Westmount, he brought a greater expertise to the task than his predecessors had commanded. To his other functions he added the compilation of news bulletins for the Old Boys' Association, and acted as staff representative at its meetings.



Obituaries

Assistant Librarian was tireless volunteer

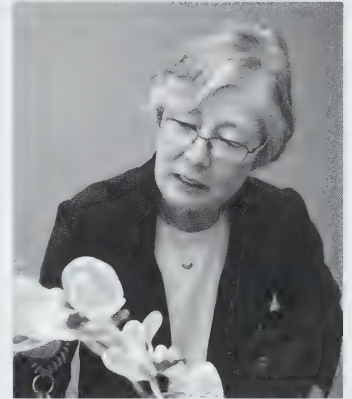
The Selwyn House community was grieved to learn of the death of Lorayne Winn, mother of Old Boys Tim '85 and David '88, assistant librarian from 1987-2006 and a dedicated volunteer in the library until shortly before her death. The following obituary appeared in the Montreal Gazette on August 5.

Lorayne Strachan Winn (née Horwood)

September 18, 1943–August 1, 2019

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Lorayne on August 1, 2019 at the MUHC Palliative Care Centre. Dearly missed by Chris, her husband of 52 years. Loving mother of three children, Tim (Ann-Marie), David (Wendy) and Sarah (Mark), proud grandmother (“Raynie”) of Logan, Lucas, Abigail, Ian, Laura, Bryce, and Juliette, loving sister of brother Brad (Jilly) and sister Diana (Peter), and predeceased by sister Roslyn (Frank). Lorayne was a graduate of McGill University (B.A. Arts), 1965, and Concordia University (Library Sciences), 1984. After raising her three young children, Lorayne combined her passion for reading and her love of children to become a librarian in the Selwyn House School library for 15 years, and stayed on as a volunteer long

after her retirement. Lorayne will be remembered for her love of playing the piano, tending to her flowers and working in the garden, being in the outdoors, and playing the Hallelujah Chorus at the crack of dawn on Christmas morning. We send heartfelt thanks to Dr. Tamara Singer and to the hard-working staff at the MUHC, especially to the very compassionate team at the MUHC Palliative Care Centre. A funeral service will be held at Mountainside United Church (St. Andrew’s-Dominion-Douglas Church) - 687 Roslyn Ave, Westmount, on Wednesday, August 7 at 1:00pm. In lieu of flowers, kindly consider making a donation in her memory to the Cedars Cancer Foundation, the Montreal SPCA, or to your local library.



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Bruce Campbell '40

L.B. (Bruce) Campbell '40 passed away peacefully on June 26th, 2018 in Montreal. Predeceased by his wife, Anne Griffith Campbell, and survived by his son, Colin and granddaughter Peyton. Cremation has taken place. Private family service will be arranged. Published on July 28, 2018.

“My father shared many stories of his time at Selwyn house with me,” wrote his son, Colin. “He cherished his time there and had nothing but praise to say for the school, teachers and principal. His education there at Selwyn House started him off on a firm footing that allowed him to prosper in his life.”

Alan Lindsay '47

It is with immense love and sadness that we announce the sudden and peaceful passing of Alan on Tuesday, September 4, 2018, surrounded by his adoring family. Alan was a wonderful and devoted husband to dear Joan, his accomplice on many adventures over 58 years; a loving and caring father to Derek (Sylvie), Andrew (Jodi) and Thea, and proud grandfather to Megan and Matthew. He is survived by his sister, Eleanor Jarrett, and in-laws and lifelong friends Althea and Brian

Drummond and Jasmine Lindsay Forman.

Alan was born in Montreal, the youngest son of the late Dr. Lionel and Dorothy Lindsay. He is predeceased by his brothers, Robin and Jerrey, sisters Meg and Elspeth and his beloved grandson, Justin. Alan was a gentleman: loyal, modest and generous of spirit, the epitome of “still waters run deep”. His family was the centre of his life; he was our compass and our heartbeat. Alan was a man of few words and lived his life with high principles, character and integrity. He is fondly remembered for his wise counsel, charm, wit, mischievous smile and trademark blue eyes. Dad imparted his love of the outdoors, sports, travel and culture to us. He strongly encouraged multi-generational conversations at the dinner table and championed a balanced perspective on local and global events. Golf was his lifelong passion. Alan enjoyed a long and active association with the Royal Montreal Golf Club, serving as President [1981-82] and Club Archivist—Keeper of the Flame—for over 20 years. He was an original member of the Roger Bacon Golfing Society and with them, travelled extensively in North America and Europe, forming lasting friendships with fellow golfers here and abroad. Alan had an entrepreneurial

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Michael John Blake Lansdown

spirit, starting with Godber, Dinsmore, Lindsay Ltd. and later was President of E.W. Playford. It gave him great pleasure mentoring the many young people he met, sharing his knowledge, wisdom and values.

Michael John Blake Lansdown '49

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of "Mike" on Tuesday, April 9, 2019 at the age of 85. Michael is survived by his loving wife of

55 years, Elizabeth, his children Sarah (Harold) Lansdown and Christopher (Kristin) Lansdown, his beloved grandchildren, Michael Hasko, Ben Hasko and Amelia Lansdown, and his dear sister, Alison (late Charles) Copeman.

Michael was born in England in 1933, and then immigrated at age 11 to Montreal in 1944, where he later graduated from McGill University in 1955. While at University, Mike joined the Royal Canadian Navy (Reserve), and served a year at sea after receiving his commission. Michael enjoyed a successful 40-year career as Marketing Manager at Dupont of Canada, which took him, Elizabeth and family from Montreal to postings abroad in Melbourne, Australia and Wilmington, Delaware. In 1988, he was posted back to Canada, where he and Elizabeth settled in Oakville, Ontario. After Michael retired from Dupont in 1996, he was elected Regional Councillor for the Town of Oakville from 2004-2007. Active in a dizzying number of community organizations, Mike was a founding member and director of Oakvillegreen Conservation Association Inc. when the organization successfully petitioned the Town of Oakville to nearly double the lands designated for ecological preservation, an impact that will be felt by generations of Oakville residents to come.

For several years, Michael led weekly meetings for new Canadians that included conversational English classes, as well as an introduction to Canadian culture and institutions. As a result of Michael's many contributions through his volunteer work, he was honoured to receive the Oakville Community Spirit Award and the Senior Volunteer of the Year for the Province of Ontario Award. Michael Lansdown will be remembered with great admiration and affection by his family, and many in the community, whose lives he has touched over the years.

Anselan Brian Buchanan '52, born in Montreal on February 15, 1937, died peacefully in Ottawa on November 3, 2018, surrounded by his family. He is survived by Christiane Buchanan, his six children Catherine Elena (Rod Goertz),

Valérie (David Stewart), Provence and Olivier Maydew (Krista), Lexie (Jeff Stock), James (Hilary), and seven grandchildren Finley, Clara, Nicolas, Ethan, Sophie, Sara and Hugh. Sincere thanks to the staff at the Civic and Bruyère hospitals. Memorial donations may be made to the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Canada. A celebration of his life took place on January 2, 2019 in Ottawa.

Published in the *Montreal Gazette* November 10, 2018

Massimiliano "Max" L. Ferro '57 died April 23, 2019, son of the late Alberto Ferro and Cristina Bianca Pellizzari, the illustrator known as "Miki."

A resident of Brandon, VT, formerly of Boston, Max was born in Turin, Italy, on February 27, 1942. His parents immigrated to Montreal in 1947, and Max was educated at Selwyn House, Trinity College School, and McGill University (B. Architecture). His first post was at Shepley Bullfinch. Max later became the first Resident Architect for Historic New England. In 1977, he founded The Preservation Partnership in Newton and New Bedford, the first historic preservation firm in New England. His projects included the restoration of The Elms and Marble House for the Preservation Society of Newport; the Massachusetts Senate Chamber; stabilizing the original Moana Hotel, Waikiki; and scores of historic landmarks throughout New England. For many years, he taught graduate historic preservation at Boston University, Harvard, and the University of Vermont. Max was made a Fellow of the American Institute of Architects in 1987, the first Fellow recognized for contributions to Historic Preservation.

He is survived by his wife, Janie Chester Young, daughters Bianca Ferro and Sarah Young, and myriad friends. A private celebration is planned. Contributions to the Stratford Festival (Canada) or Helen Porter Rehabilitation are appreciated.

Published in *The Boston Globe* on Apr. 29, 2019

Peter Nobbs '57

A Selwyn House prefect, a Member of the SHA Board from 1974 to 1979, a Member of the Veritas Board from 1978 to 1979, Chairman of Old Boys' Board from 1974 to 1977, son of Old Boy Francis '29, and father of Old Boy Malcolm '88, Peter Nobbs died on Oct. 23, 2018. The following obituary appeared in the *Globe and Mail*.

After suffering a spinal cord injury at the family cottage in November of 1996 and living with unrelenting chronic pain, Dad decided to exercise his independence in opting for a medically assisted death. Although his decision caught many of us off guard, we are all inspired and proud of his strength, endurance, and courage. Dad grew up in Montreal and Hudson where he attended Selwyn House School and spent his summers teaching swimming at the Hudson Yacht Club. He graduated from Trinity College School and attended McGill and Concordia, where earned his degree in Commerce and became

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Peter McLeod '65

a Chartered Accountant.

Professionally Dad's finance and accounting career started at McDonald Currie with stops at Churchill Falls Labrador, Montreal Trust and peaked when he became Vice President and Treasurer of Hudson's Bay Company. Moving his young family from Montreal to Toronto was not without hardship; leaving behind friends, family members and previous generations with a rich history

that had made important contributions to Canada, was not lost on Dad. Those that knew him can attest to his strength of character and penchant for listening. Dad will be missed by his family including his partner Joan Smith; our mum, Holly Rankin; his children Stephanie (Jordan Britnell), Malcolm (Heather Rutledge) and Patrick Nobbs (Lee Murphy); his grandchildren, Mason and Charlie Fewster; Molly, Rowan, Phoebe and Tiggy Nobbs; and Grace and Percy Nobbs; his step-brother David Wilder and his wife, Susan. We are all thankful for the time we got to spend with him and the lessons he taught us. We love him deeply and will miss him. The family would like to thank his medical team Dr. Dayal and Dr. Peng, and the staff at Village of Taunton Mills for their care. Dad has requested a private family service, and if so inclined, donations can be made to the Toronto Rehab Foundation.

Globe and Mail obituary

Peter Malcolm Victor Gregory '58

On November 22, 2018. Son of the late Malcolm and Nelly Gregory, brother of Louise. A funeral service was held in Montreal on Wednesday, November 28 at 1:00 p.m.

Published on November 24, 2018

A. David Thom '58

It is with sadness that we announce the October 21, 2018 passing of Dave, beloved and loving husband of Cindy for 51 years, Dad to Trevor (Judie) and Kevin (Hazel), and adored grandpa to Sophie.

Born in Montreal, and forever a fan of his beloved Canadiens, Dad fell in love with the west coast in the 1960s. After a few years in Vancouver, where he met Mum and started a family, Dad moved the family to Victoria in 1973.

Dad had a very successful career in the fixed income business, starting out as a retail financial advisor in the 1960s. In 1973, Dad began what would be a 33-year career with the BC government, working up to head of the Fixed Income division within Provincial Treasury, and then finishing his career as VP,

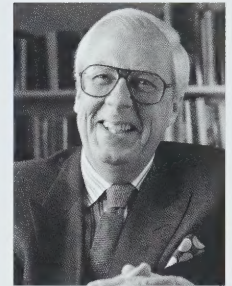
CORRECTION:

Robert C. Paterson '41, son of Col. Alex T. Paterson DSO, OBE and Anna Cowans Paterson, died in Toronto on April 27, 2018.

Rob's obituary was published in the 2018-2019 issue of *Veritas*, but some details concerning his contribution to Selwyn House School were omitted:

Rob sat on the board of Selwyn House Association from 1965-1975, serving as board chair from 1970-1972 during an important period for the school, being the transition between Headmasters Dr. Robert Speirs and Alexis Troubetzkoy. Rob sat on the board of the Veritas Fund as well as the Lucas Fund, where he served from 1974-2015. He won the Speirs Medal in 1990.

Our apologies to the family for this oversight.



Fixed Income at bcIMC. All along the way, Dad's "firm but fair" attitude became almost legendary from Howe Street to Bay Street. He was a great mentor, a true partner, and was genuinely good at what he did.

But it is safe to say that Dad's other passion was racquet sports, particularly squash. He was an avid player for over 50 years, and there was nothing he loved more than going down to the club for "a hit". While he was successful as a younger competitive player, his real legacy as a squash enthusiast was the support he showed others—juniors especially. Squash was genuinely a part of Dad's DNA, and it was really tough for him when he had to put his racquets away earlier this year.

We will all miss him very much. He was an incredibly loving and compassionate individual. We will all miss his humour, his dry wit, his intelligence, hard work, and most importantly, his love for his family and friends. He was a wonderful friend and mentor to many, an incredible father and grandpa, and a loving and adoring husband to Cindy.

Victoria Times Colonist obituary, Oct. 26, 2018

Peter McLeod '65

It is with great sadness that the family announces Peter's passing on October 22, 2018 (age 69). He died peacefully with his sons by his side. He is lovingly remembered by sons Malcolm (An) and Nils (Tamara), four adoring grandchildren Cameron, Lincoln, Jonah and Asher, brother John, sister Christie (Vince) and nieces Rachel and Danielle, as well as extended family and friends. He loved spending time with his grandchildren, walking his dogs on Mont-Royal, and spending summers at the family cottage. ■



Founder's Day 2019

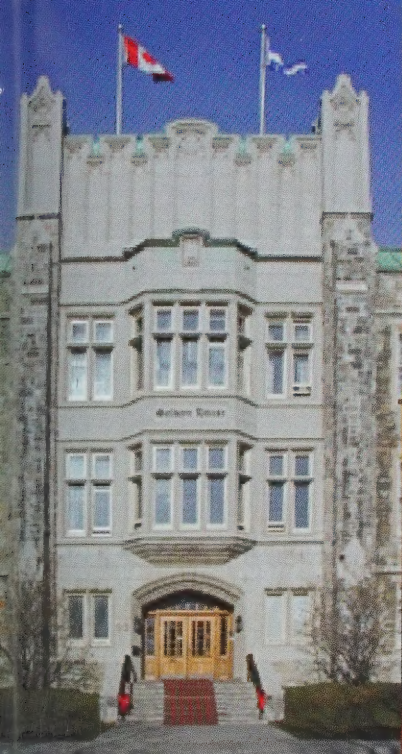
The Board of Directors and the Headmaster of Selwyn House invite you to celebrate the founding of the school and to honour the 2019 Speirs Medal recipient:

Minna Shulman

Selwyn House School Counsellor
and Dean of Students 1999-2019

Thursday, November 28, 2019
6:00 - 9:00 p.m.
Selwyn House School
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Presentations will begin at 6:45 p.m.
Spouses and guests are most welcome.
Complimentary hors d'oeuvres
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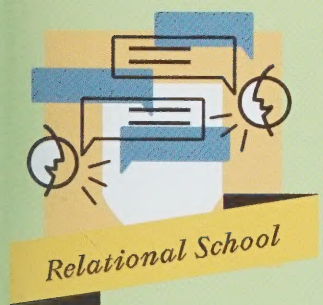
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Selwyn House School :

4 - 7 pm > School Tours

4:30 pm > Kindergarten
Information Session

5:30 pm > Grade 7
Information Session



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41st Annual Old Boys' Reunion

Friday, September 27, 2019

Come back to campus in September and reconnect with former teachers and friends.
Share stories over dinner and drinks.

All Old Boys, their guests, and former and current staff are welcome.

We hope to see many of you celebrating a special anniversary year
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RSVP at www.selwyn.ca via the Online Event Registration button.

Cancellations: Full refund before September 20. No refunds thereafter.

For more information, contact the Advancement Office at 514-931-9481 ext. 2292

5:00 p.m. Tours of SHS campus

6:00 p.m. Cocktails

7:00 p.m. AGM and Dinner

9:00-10:30 p.m. Pub (Cash Bar)

Tickets: \$65

\$30 for recent grads (2013-2017)

Complimentary dinner for former staff

Cash bar